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CHINCHOW REPORTED TAKEN BY REDS

Not Much Change In Times Since 1793

Shanghai, October 15. A local German physician, Dr. William Rosenberg, reported today the discovery of three copies of the 1793 London Times, following the publication of a Reuter story of the finding of a 1793 Times in London.

Dr. Rosenberg found the papers while rummaging among old book prints and rubbish that a friend was clearing out before leaving China.

"The way of reporting and advertising is barely different from modern methods," Dr. Rosenberg said.

He revealed that much space was taken up on the front page of the October 19 issue by a subscription list at £10-10-0 per person for "the relief of widows and children of brave men who so nobly fought and fell in service of their King and country, and such as have been wounded in the glorious action off the coast of Holland between the English fleet, under Admiral Duncan, and the Dutch fleet commanded by Admiral de Winter, on October 11, 1797."

Dr. Rosenberg, who is a keen philatelist, said: "Having pursued these lines, examples of a well edited paper that seem so modern for their time of publication, I come to the conclusion that we are reading today what our ancestors have been reading before."—Reuter.

Price Rises Threat To New Currency

Nanking, October 15. The resurgent price fluctuations and black marketeering appeared today to have been viewed officially as a serious threat to the stability of China's new gold yuan currency.

Maintenance of the August 19 price freezing order, which is a key anchor in the Government's latest economic recovery scheme, is said to have been rendered difficult, and members of the Legislative Yuan today proposed that the order be rescinded in favour of the former policy of fixing prices through consultations between the Government and merchants.

The problem has become the main concern of both the Executive and Legislative branches of the Chinese Government. The Legislative Yuan today devoted its sessions exclusively to discussion of the price situation and decided to hold an extraordinary closed meeting on Monday to elect to the chairmanship of the Finance Committee, Mr. Wang Wen-hao, the Finance Minister.

Frequent Talks

On the Executive side, frequent deliberations are known to be going on between President Chiang Kai-shek, Premier Wang and Finance Minister Wang in an effort to find a means of curbing the unfavourable economic conditions.

The Government's primary objective seems to be how to direct surplus capital resulting from the conversion into productive channels. It is understood measures for combating the buying spree and hoarding, and for maintaining the August 19 price freezing order, are now being drafted.

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Nationalists Face Darkest Period Since End Of War. BATTLE FOR TAIYUAN

Communist forces were reported today to have broken into Chinchow while another major Nationalist base — Taiyuan in China Proper — is tottering under Mao Tse-tung's armed might.

These setbacks, following closely on the heels of the Tsinan debacle, have thrown the Nationalists into their darkest hour in the three years of the post-war civil war.

The Nationalist headquarters in Mukden, in a communique reported by Central News Agency, conceded Red General Lin Biao's hard-hitting forces have stormed into the city from the southeast and over-run the city's new district.

Communist artillery is said to have played a prominent part in the break-through. Over 1,000 shells were lobbed into the city in the course of the night. The bombardment breached gaping holes in the city wall through which Communist infantry poured in. The city is now enveloped in flames after Communist artillery set fire to ammunition dumps.

The Nationalist commander in Chinchow, General Fan Han-chieh, radioed that the Nationalist garrison has fallen back into the old city area where they are barricading themselves for defence of the city's railway station and airfield.

Red Climax

The Communist success climaxed a month's offensive by six Red columns to clip off the protruding Nationalist corridor in Manchuria.

Loss of the Chinchow corridor would cut off a large Nationalist army of 200,000 men, mostly US-trained and equipped, from the main Nationalist base in Mukden and Changchun from all land contact with Nanking.

Five hundred miles to the southwest, in China Proper, ten miles from the major Nationalist bastion of Communist attacks.

Wusu, a small town, south of the city, is reported to have been captured by the Communists. Four Communist columns are now moving up from the south for direct assault on the city wall. The Communists have also brought up their artillery for softening up the city which was the old citadel of ex-warlord Yen Shih-shan.

Meanwhile, pro-Government reports from Nanking said the Nationalists recaptured the Manchurian port of Yingkou, 100 miles south of Mukden, on October 13 but there was no official confirmation.

Despatches from Taiyuan said as a result of Nationalist action danger to the north airfield which at one time took as if it might be lost, was removed.

Questions Asked On Guardsmen

London, October 14. Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, Conservative Member of Parliament, tonight asked Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, the War Minister, for additional figures on the number of Guardsmen sent to Malaya with less than six months' training.

In a letter, the text of which he gave to newspapers tonight, Mr. Lyttelton told the War Minister that his statement that 67 out of 1,700 Guardsmen in the last contingent sent to Malaya had less than six months' training "does not address itself directly to the point in question."

Mr. Lyttelton asked for the number of men who had less than six months' training before they sailed, not counting their embarkation leave, and also for the number of men in the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, the Royal Army Service Corps and the Royal Army Medical Corps who were to act as ancillary troops to the Guards Brigade, who sailed about the same time, with less than six months' training.

Earlier today, Mr. Shinwell stated that he was misinformed when he told the House of Commons last month that no Guardsmen had been sent to Malaya without having at least six months' training.

In fact, he said, of 1,700 Guardsmen in the last contingent, 67 will have arrived in Malaya with less than the minimum six months' service which I had implied in my statement.

Mr. Shinwell made the statement in reply to Mr. Lyttelton who had yesterday accused him of being "entirely wrong, misinformed or careless" about his House of Commons statement and had challenged him to withdraw it.

In his letter, Mr. Shinwell said that in the defence debate on September 23, Mr. Lyttelton stated that by far the greater number of men in the Guards Brigade sent to Malaya had only a few weeks' training. That statement was inaccurate. He said.

Vital Air Bridge

Loss of the north field would cut the air bridge to Taiyuan and render aerial reinforcement to the city impossible.

Spy Roundup In Brazil

Rio De Janeiro, October 15. More than 100 persons have been rounded up in an investigation of alleged Soviet spying in Brazil.

Brazil outlawed the Communist Party and broke relations with the Soviet Union last year.

The latest arrests were in Sao Paulo on Tuesday. Twelve persons of Slavic origin were apprehended and several crates of what police called Russian propaganda were seized.

Sao Paulo police announced recently a spy network is being investigated in Rio de Janeiro. Do Sul State and more arrests are expected there. More than 20 have already been picked up there.

Incredible Kidnapping Alleged

An incredible story of how he was rendered partially unconscious in a local theatre and taken away by boat and car to a political training camp was told by a 19-year-old student of Wah Yan College when he returned home on Thursday.

The boy, Sin Chan-fan, of No. 2 Stanton Street, returned home exhausted and hungry after being reported missing for four days. He said his parents have reported his four-day experience to the police.

Questioned last night, the Police said they knew nothing about it. According to the boy, he left home on Monday with HK\$10. After having a haircut he attended the 12 noon performance at the Sai Yuen Theatre.

Before the show ended, he began to feel dizzy and semi-conscious. He could not see or think clearly. He said it appeared to him that he travelled on a boat and later by car. When he became almost fully conscious it was already dark. He found himself in a Chinese style house.

300 Others

In the same house were about 300 other boys. At 9 a.m. the following day they were addressed by a uniformed man. There were about 10 others in military uniform.

According to the boy, the lecturer, given by the man attacked Chiang Kai-shek and exhorted the listeners to save China.

The boys were told that they would be paid HK\$300 if they joined the organisation.

Sin Chan-fan added that following a physical examination he and 12 others were rejected as unfit and were told they would be sent back home.

In the afternoon they were blindfolded and placed in a motor vehicle. After travelling for a few hours, they were taken off the vehicle.

After walking blindfolded for about three hours, they reached a settlement of the New Territories. There they spent the night and made their way on foot to Kowloon.

Sin returned to his home at about 4 p.m. on Thursday.

Peiping Fighting

Meanwhile, General Fu Tso-yi's headquarters in Peiping reported fighting 10 miles north of Nankou on the Peiping-Suiyuan railroad 24 miles northwest of Peiping.

It also reported fighting further up the railroad about half way to Kalgan, but said the main Red forces were fleeing northeastward.

Fighting in east Shensi entered the mopping-up stage following the rout of the Communist armies near Tungchow in a three-day battle.

The badly mauled Red units are said to be fleeing in disorder towards their base in the Yellow Dragon mountain to the north, leaving behind their dead and considerable equipment, pro-Government reports claimed.

United Press, Associated Press and Reuter.

BRITISH BAN HECHT FILMS

London, October 14. It was reported today that some 3,500 independent British movie houses, affiliated with the Cinematograph Exhibitors Association, decided to ban the movies with which the American author Ben Hecht is associated.

They charged that on May 30, in London, Hecht said that he had a "little holiday in his heart" every time a British soldier was killed in Palestine.—United Press.

Rumours Of Early Strike End Spiked

San Francisco, October 14. Both shippers and Harry Bridges today spiked rumours of an early end to the West Coast maritime strike.

The waterfront Employers Association announced that the employers had not in any sense opened negotiations or agreed to any compromise measure to pave the way for opening such negotiations.

The Association was referring to the compromise proposal offered by two national CIO maritime officials, under which the national organisation would agree in effect to guarantee against work stoppages under a future contract if the employers withdrew demands that union officials sign non-Communist affidavits.

The employers' statement said the ship operators were "unshaken" in their united demand for spotless union leadership and guarantee of contract fulfilment.

Bridges, head of the longshoremen, said publicly that the walk-out "still has a long way to go." "There are still seven issues to be worked off," he added.

Bridges told the press one purpose of his statement was to stop reports that settlement of the strike is near because CIO national trouble shooters had agreed to underwrite any new contracts as a guarantee of performance.

Russians Forge Ahead

Moscow, October 15. The Central Statistical Administration said today Russia's industrial production now is 28 per cent higher than it was in 1940, peak year of Soviet accomplishment.

The Statistical Administration said also the grain crop this year has reached the 1940 level and yields more produce than in pre-war years.

The statistical bureau report said two ministries did not meet their quota this year, the fish industry for the eastern regions and the milk and meat industry for the USSR.

Tass, the Soviet news agency, announced that V. V. Dorobov has been relieved of his duties as Minister of the meat and dairy industry. The statistical bureau said the Government's planned goal for the first nine months of this year was exceeded by six per cent.—Associated Press.

Gold Yuan Rate Shows Steady Trend

China's Gold Yuan dropped 11 points below Thursday's closing rate of 51 Hong Kong cents to one Gold Yuan yesterday morning. It recovered later in the afternoon to close at 52 Hong Kong cents.

Gold Yuan remittances to Shanghai were offered in the morning at 25 Hong Kong cents for one Gold Yuan—the lowest yet registered on the Hong Kong market. By closing time the rate had improved to 30 Hong Kong cents to one Gold Yuan.

Gold Yuan remittances to Canton opened at 38 Hong Kong cents to one Gold Yuan and closed at 45 cents.

Revolt Denied

Yesterday's comparative steadiness of the Gold Yuan in Hong Kong was attributed to the news from Canton of an impending rationing system for food and other essential items, and of an official denial of a revolt among the armed forces in Kwangtung.

Referring to reports of the importation of 500,000,000 into Hong Kong, a Government spokesman said yesterday that a consignment of 500,000,000 was transhipped through Hong Kong to a coastal port by agents acting on behalf of the Chinese Government.

The spokesman added that the consignment was imported under an Import Licence and exported under a properly approved Export Licence.

The 500,000,000, said the spokesman, was escorted from the point of importation to a bank from the bank to the point of exportation by Revenue Officers of the Import and Export Department.

The spokesman said that it was a perfectly normal case of transshipment of currency done by a properly authorized agent in the correct and legal form.

Dispute Between UK Mineworkers' Leaders Widens

London, October 15. The dispute between the two leaders of the British National Union of Mineworkers generated new heat today with a fresh attack by the Union President, Will Lawther, on his Communist General Secretary, Arthur Horner.

Lawther declared that Horner had been sent to the Paris conference of the Communist-controlled Confederation Generale du Travail as a fraternal delegate and had not been entitled to support the policy of the Communist Party which is absolutely contrary to the policy of the National Union of Mineworkers, the Trades Union Congress and the Labour Government.

The dispute, which threatens to split the Union's 650,000 members sprang from Horner's action in promising support by British miners for the French mine strike.

Lawther told a reporter today that in view of the tone of Horner's statements in Paris recently it was necessary that he should dispose of any suggestion that the differences between them arose from some personal antagonism.

"Mr. Horner visited Paris as the fraternal representative of the British miners. In that capacity, it was to be expected that any statements made by him during his visit would have been in line with the policy of the National Union of Mineworkers, which is to support European recovery and consequently the Marshall plan.

Communist-Inspired

"I regard the present situation in France, including the strike in the mining industry, as a Communist-inspired movement to sabotage the recovery of that country.

"The decision of the National Union of Mineworkers to send Mr. Horner to the conference required him to carry a message based upon 'Union policy' the logical outcome of which must be to secure the co-operation of all European mine-workers in the task of rehabilitation. He was not entitled to support the policy of the Communists."

Many trade unionists here believe that the dispute between the two miners chiefs will have repercussions far beyond the coalfields and that Communists in the trade union movement generally will probably feel the impact.

It is almost certain that the former case will be brought up when the Executive of the National Union of Mineworkers meets on October 28, and the general question of Communist Union officials consorting with 'half continental' counterparts is likely to come before the International Committee of the Trade Union Congress next Thursday.

The anti-Communist majority of the miners union, meanwhile, is definite about the need to maintain coal exports to France, despite the Communist efforts to be both subsidised and mine controlled. This tendency is dangerous and should be reversed.

The paper pointed out that the Chinese Government should recognise that now is the time above all times when a vigilant, fearless and intelligent press is needed in the national interest.

Already there is a great tendency for Chinese papers to be both subsidised and mine controlled. This tendency is dangerous and should be reversed.

Abridgement Of Press Freedom Hit

Shanghai, October 15. The American-owned Shanghai Evening Post, commenting on what it calls the grave abridgement of press freedom in China, said today: "If China is to lose any chance of learning facts as they are seen through official glasses, surely democracy might as well be abandoned as a lost cause."

Under the caption "Press Freedom on its way out," the Post said: "A government has been laid on two papers and there has been a (voluntary) but highly suspicious close-down for 'reorganisation' on the part of a third.

"These developments appear all to stem from the recent speech by the Generalissimo, in which he charged sensational newspaper reports had caused 'unrest' and fear, resulting in runs on shops in Shanghai, among other things."

Hard To Believe

"So that as it may, it is hard to believe that the Generalissimo meant to set off in China a reaction among his subordinates, leading to newspaper shut-downs, under circumstances of dictatorial rule rather than a democratic procedure.

The Post continued: "The Government's ban against the two newspapers seem based wholly on allegations that they were 'undisciplined' and 'in their news reporting is this the time for journalistic discretion by edict' queried the post.

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EXTRADITION CASE HEARING CONTINUES

Cruelty To Animals

In a motor junk at the Southern Highway on October 14 crates of pigs were found eight deep. Those at the bottom were dying.

Charged with cruelty to animals, Ho Kwok-leung, master of the motor junk, came before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

Inspector J. Orem, prosecuting, said that it was one of the worst cases of cruelty to animals.

Accused was fined \$100 or in default, three weeks imprisonment.

2 Brothels Raided

Two huts at Canton Road, used as brothels, were raided by Inspector T. Collins on Thursday night and the keepers arrested.

When Wong Chi-kwong, 55-year-old widow, and Lau Sam-nui, 45-year-old widow, were charged before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday with keeping a brothel each, Inspector J. Orem said that the patrons of the two establishments were mainly undesirable characters.

Neither of the defendants paid any rent for their huts, both of which were fitted with two cubicles and contained three beds.

In Wong's place were found two Chinese men and two prostitutes, and in Lau's hut Inspector Collins found one man and three girls. The girls told the inspector that they paid defendant 50 cents commission.

Both accused were sentenced to three months' hard labour and recommended for banishment.

To Take Over Jap. Whalers

Twenty-eight Norwegian seamen will leave Hong Kong by air today for Japan where they will take over two whalers built at Japanese shipyards.

The two whalers are Suzeroy II and Kuur, constructed for Norwegian firms.

From Japan, the whalers will sail for the Arctic where they will operate during the whaling season before going to Norway.

The 28 seamen arrived here by British plane on Thursday and will continue their flight today in the same plane.

They are Messrs. J. Jorgensen, A. E. Jacobsen, K. Johansen, E. Jensen, A. M. Dahl, H. Gjertsen, T. Evie, R. Lillebohn, A. Arnesen, A. G. Hansen, O. Olsen, L. Thoen, B. Vilhelmsen, C. K. Olsen, E. Invald, Jacob Holboe, Egil Tavesig, Charles Froyland, Robert Hermansen, Arne P. Ingvaldsen, Vilhelm Olaf Nansen, Arne Berg, Hens Huang, Jacob Andersen, Trygve P. Pedersen, Alf Svendsen, Odd Kvarne and Arvid Johansen.

Extradition proceedings against Hsu Chih-chwang, alias Tsui Kai-chong, were continued before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday when defendant gave evidence in the witness box for the third day.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. A. Lonsdale, Assistant Solicitor General. Defendant was represented by Hun, Leo d'Almada e Castro, KC, instructed by Mr. Mireux da Silva, Mr. Peter H. Shi was present for the Chinese Government.

Hsu is being charged on three counts of embezzlement of Chinese Government funds while a Director of the Postal Remittance and Savings Bank at Shanghai.

Continuing his evidence, Hsu said that while he was in Shanghai he had a secret society which advocated compensation for war losses.

They also advocated that regulations be made on Overseas Chinese and improvement of agriculture by mechanization.

The Mint and the Central Bank, they thought, should be administered by the people of China and suggested that railways should be run by the people.

All undertakings held by Government officials should be supervised by the people at a valuation.

They suggested economy in all districts and provinces and that officials should be elected by the people and not the Government.

They wanted to do away with the conscription system which leads to abuse, the populace being the sufferers.

They proposed that all military garrisons headquarters be abolished as well as military organizations, as there was no war with another country.

Contact With Reds

The Government, he said, was treating everybody like thieves and robbers.

The judiciary was under the Kuomintang. This should be abolished and judges appointed by the people.

They were against Government commencing the people's food stocks.

They were also against the Americans for training troops in Formosa on behalf of the Chinese for the civil war.

He admitted having had contact with the Communists in Mukden because of their seizure of the mails and the detention of the staff.

Taking advantage of that contact he had also discussed other matters with the Communists.

After further evidence, hearing was adjourned to 11.30 a.m. on October 22.

NEW RATE FOR THE FRANC

London, October 14.

It was being freely reported in Paris tonight, and accepted as correct in well-informed London quarters, that the French franc rate will be changed next Sunday, October 17.

Formal official confirmation of such a coming event is naturally impossible, but well-informed quarters in Paris and London had no doubt about it.

There was no information as to what the new rate or rates would be, or whether the currency change would be linked with more far-reaching reforms, designed to restore confidence in the French currency.—Reuter.

Fish Dealer Charged At Central

Yuen Tan, aged 24, fish dealer, residing at 15, Mul Fong Street, ground floor, came before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday charged with dealing wholesale in dried fish without authority from Government.

Yuen, defended by Mr. C. Y. Kwong, was discharged by the magistrate owing to insufficient evidence.

Mr. L. Petersen, Chief Inspector of Fisheries, said he visited defendant's premises on October 12 and discovered 108 crates of dried fish. The fish was admitted by defendant to be his.

Also found on the premises was a large scale of the kind used by wholesalers.

The fish was contained in baskets, to each of which was attached a scrap of paper bearing Chinese characters.

Mr. Kwong for the defence submitted that his client had no case to answer as the fish in this case should be classified as marine delicacies and did not come under the category of those controlled by Government.

The magistrate held defendant had no case to answer and discharged him.

Indecent Books Sold

Inspector C. T. Byron of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs was complainant against three teen age Chinese for offering and exposing for sale indecent literature and pictures of an obscene nature.

They were Tang Chiu, aged 17, Lau Man-fai, aged 17 and Man Lam-fuk, aged 17. All were arrested in Des Voeux Road Central on Thursday night by SCA detectives.

Before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday all defendants pleaded guilty.

Second and third defendants, who had returned from banishment, were sentenced to two months each and to re-banishment.

First defendant was sentenced to one month.

Commended

Two Portuguese and a Chinese were commended by the Magistrate at Central yesterday for tackling a snatcher in Bonham Road.

They were Mr. P. Botelho and Mr. A. da Rosa, and a driver, Chan Kwan.

The incident occurred when Leung Jek-ping, 28, was alleged to have snatched a gold ring from a girl, Yeung Ping-wai.

Leung was alleged to have attacked the girl from behind and to have snatched her ring.

The girl's cries for help were answered by Chan Kwan, who got out of his car to tackle the man.

Mr. Botelho and Mr. Rosa, who were passing in a taxi, also alighted and gave help.

Leung was committed to the Sessions by Mr. Thomas Tam.



Mr. E. Russell Lutz, APL Vice President for Foreign Administration, is on an extended survey of the Company's Offices and operations in Far Eastern Countries. Mr. Willard T. Goodwin, Vice President, Or. ent, is travelling with Mr. Lutz to Singapore, and after a short stay there will return to Shanghai via Hong Kong. Photo shows left to right: Mr. T. B. Wilson, Manager, Hong Kong; Mr. E. Russell Lutz, Vice President for Foreign Administration; Mr. Willard T. Goodwin.

Public Auction Of Building Lot

A .36 acre building lot at Taipo Market was knocked down to the applicants, the General Improvements, Ltd., for the upset price of \$15,480 at a public auction held at the offices of the District Officer, New Territories, yesterday.

The sale of this lot carried with it the special conditions that the buyers are to build within 12 months a seawall, fill in the whole of a certain area, surrender to the Government, without cost, certain areas reserved for roads, extend the existing sewage pipe, and to spend not less than \$250,000, exclusive of cost of site formation and retaining walls, on rateable improvements.

Three other lots sold by Mr. Wakefield, District Officer (South), were one garden and building at Ha Kwai Chung, and two at Cheung Chung.

The building and garden lot, which has an area of 4.55 acres, was knocked down to Mr. Leo Chian-hiang of 209 Prince Edward Road, for the upset price of \$9,000.

The six special conditions attached to this area are that the buyer must, within a month, indicate to the District Officer a portion of the lot to be converted to building lot, pay to the District Officer 25 cents per square foot for every square foot so converted, pay an additional \$500 per acre for rateable improvements.

A building lot at Cheung Chung, Sankung, was sold to the applicant, Mr. Chan Lam-kwan, for the upset price of \$1,200. This 14 acre lot carries with it the special condition that at least \$35,000 is to be spent on rateable improvements.

An agricultural lot in the same district was sold to the same applicant for \$4,702. The area is 2.50 acres.

2 Europeans Due Before Sessions

Two Europeans will come before the October Criminal Sessions which open at the Supreme Court at 10 a.m. on Monday.

They are Ronald Bertam Coines and Edward Stewart Walker, both stoker mechanics of HMS Black Swan, who are alleged to have robbed a taxi-driver at Repulse Bay.

Eleven other cases on the list are:

Ho Wah, alias Chan Wing, alias Lo Chuen, alias Wang Chai-bun, charged with robbery, breach of deportation order.

Ho Fuk-pang, alias Ho Fook-bun, charged with robbery, breach of deportation order.

Lau Tak, alias Lau Sing-ka, alias Tang Ka-mau—assault with intent to rob; robbery by two or more.

Yong Po-kun—armed robbery; possession of arms and ammunition; attempting to shoot with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

Cheung Si-chun—wounding with intent; possession of arms.

Ma Chun-kan, alias Ng Chun-hum—robbery by two or more.

Tsang Shu—possession of arms and ammunition.

Tsang Fat—possession of arms and ammunition.

Ng Chi-leung, alias Ngau Wan, alias Li Wan—robbery by two or more; demanding money with menace; robbery by two or more.

Chan Ah-fong, Chan Shui-ping, Trang Shing, Wan Kau—robbery by two or more and accessory before the fact of the same offence; possession of arms and ammunition.

Chan Chung-yun—rape (adjudged from last Sessions for trial).

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Hong Kong Stage Club wish to announce that for the convenience of the Kowloon Residents who are attending the production of "Blithe Spirit" at the China Fleet Club Theatre on the 14th, 15th and 16th October, a Ferry will run from Police Pier, Kowloon to Fenwick Road Pier (opp. Theatre) at 8.25 p.m. Returning at mid-night.

Fare for return journey will be \$1 payable on Board.

Passengers are kindly requested to be punctual as the Ferry is not allowed to remain alongside Police Pier for more than 5 minutes.

ALLEGED BURGLARS IN KOWLOON COMMITTED

Three men alleged to have been involved in a series of burglaries in Kowloon, in most of which Europeans had been the victims, were committed at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday to the Criminal Sessions.

Alleged Attack With Knife

When his common-law wife refused to return to him, after a quarrel and separation, Chan Hin-wan, 31-year-old unemployed, climbed into her bedroom at 3.30 a.m. on August 18 and attacked her with a butcher's knife.

That was the allegation made by Detective Sub-Inspector D. H. Taylor when Chan was brought before Mr. J. Wickes on committal proceedings yesterday on two charges of wounding, one of attempted murder, and one of house-breaking.

Defendant, it was alleged, told friends that he had been told that his girl had been going about with other men and that he was going to kill her. He was known to have bought a butcher's steel knife, but this was taken away from him about a month before the assault.

At 3.30 a.m., said the prosecuting officer, the girl was awakened by sharp pains on her chest. She saw the accused attacking her with a knife and screamed for help. Her mother went to her assistance and was, in turn, attacked by the accused.

Reports To Police

Later that morning, accused reported to the Hung Hom Police Station that he had attacked a girl at 322 Montauk Road, first floor, and that he jumped down from the veranda after the attack and broke his ankle. He was sent to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

After Dr. A. H. R. Coombes, Government Pathologist, had testified finding human blood stains on a steel knife, part of a Chinese newspaper, a blue-triped shirt, a white cotton undershirt and a white ribbed singlet sent him by the police, Divisional Superintendent George Lays declared that at an identification parade at Kowloon City Police Station on September 21, defendant was identified by Tsing Wong and Lo Suk-yin.

Inspector Channing said that when he arrived on the premises he found the girl sitting on the bed, and the mother sitting in a chair with her hands up. Both were bleeding profusely, and there was a pool of blood on the floor.

He picked up a piece of Chinese newspaper from the floor, and found a blood-stained footprint on the window sill. A blood-stained knife was picked up by him at Fukien Street, said witnesses.

Further evidence will be taken on Monday, October 18.

Vigilance Rewarded

The vigilance of police constable Wong Ping resulted in the arrest of two unemployed Chinese who used an air raid shelter near Chatham Path for a quiet smoke of heroin on Thursday evening.

When Lam Cheung and Wu Ming were charged before Mr. J. Wickes at Kowloon yesterday with possession of a heroin pipe each, Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans told the court that the constable found the two accused having a quiet smoke of heroin dross. They had each a pipe and were using a common lamp between them.

Wu, with two previous convictions for larceny, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and recommended for deportation. Lam was remanded until today for his claim to Hong Kong birth to be verified.

Confiscation Of Gold Yuan

A total of \$4,441 Gold Yuan was confiscated by the Kowloon magistrates yesterday when five persons charged with importing Chinese currency into the Colony on Thursday.

Cheong Shing-lam, 40-year-old merchant, Lau Lai-po, 29-year-old merchant, and Kwok Ming-yung, alias Yim Chor-sun, 35-year-old transit passenger, had their bail of \$5 each extracted by Mr. W. H. Latimer when they failed to answer to the charge.

They were all arrested at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station, near Revenue Office D. H. Knox, with \$415, \$1,890, and \$700, Gold Yuan, in excess of the \$200 Gold Yuan allowed.

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Service Dinner Planned

A Service Dinner to commemorate the British Eighth Army's historic flight across the Western Desert has been arranged for October 23—anniversary of the Battle of El Alamein.

Former personnel of the British Eighth Army and members of the Navy and Air Force who served in the Western Desert will meet at the Harcourt Officers Club on Wednesday at 1 p.m. to discuss arrangements.

Threatened Constable With Knife

Hui Foon, a 24-year-old unlicensed hawk of Chinese medicinal herbs, got so affronted at being told by police constable Wong Ping to move away from outside the Good World Theatre, on Thursday night, that he took up a knife and threatened the constable.

He drew his revolver and told Hui to drop his knife. When the hawk did so, the constable went up to arrest him, but Hui put up a stiff resistance and kicked the constable on the knee.

A public spirited Chinese man, Ye King-po, who objected to the scene by the constable's whistle and asked the police to overpower Hui. In the struggle, Yu lost his wrist watch.

The above was related by Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans when Hui was charged before Mr. J. Wickes at Kowloon yesterday with hawking without a licence, and assaulting the constable and resisting arrest.

Defendant, who pleaded guilty, told the court that he had only one knife in his hand when the constable approached him. He accused a total of \$200, or six weeks' hard labour, on the assault charge, and cautioned on the hawking count.

NEW PAPER RUNS POLL ON "PEACE OR WAR"

Los Angeles, October 14.

The United States' newest big daily newspaper, the Los Angeles Mirror, began publication today with a wide wide roundup of opinion on peace or war.

Leading personalities all over the world were asked the question: "How great is the danger of another world war and how best can it be prevented?"

The paper said that Marshal Stalin, Mr. Molotov and leaders of other East European countries ignored the invitation to participate.

The answers included the following:

Mr. Winston Churchill: "At the present time, the only sure foundation of peace rests upon strength. If it were not for the stocks of atomic bombs now in the hands of the United States, there would be no means of stopping the subjugation of Western Europe by Communist armies and enforced by political parties."

"The Western nations will be torn into likely to reach a lasting settlement without bloodshed if they formulate their just demands while they have the atomic power and before the Russian Communists have got it too."

Mr. George Bernard Shaw: "The ignorant folly and pugnacity of our rulers being unlimited, no nonstop, not even another suicidal world war, is impossible or preventable."

General Lucius D. Clay (the United States Military Governor in Germany): "There is a tremendous in world relationship today which cannot be taken lightly. Nevertheless, it should not lead to war. A long peace can come when the free countries devastated by World War II have recovered their economic and political stability with our assistance."

"While this is taking place, we must be firm in our expressed objective and patient with the progress in its attainment."

Signor Alcide de Gasperi (the Italian Foreign Minister): "It is better that war is far off. As statesmen we must work for European co-operation on the broadest possible basis, aiming at economic solidarity and a policy of reconstruction."

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Official Notices, Appointments

Mr. Ralph Stanley Watson, Quaternary Authority, has been appointed in addition to his present duties, to be the Competent Authority dealing with controlled rates for hotel accommodation and services.

Mr. Benito Martin Bautista will be in charge of the Philippines Consulate in Hong Kong during the absence of Mr. Tiburcio Cueto Bana, it was announced in the Government Gazette yesterday.

Shares in the China Motor Bus Company, Limited, the Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited, and the Shanghai Dockyards Limited, have been exempted from the provisions of Articles 11 and 12 of the Montreux Proclamation.

Five lots of land in the New Territories will be sold at a Crown Land auction on November 3 at the District Office at Tai Po. The lots are No. 2505 at Ping Chau; No. 2306 at Kam Tsing; No. 391 at Tung Lo Wan; No. 2078 at Lu Pak; and No. 606 at Ma Niu Shui.

Two lots of land on the Main Island will be sold at a Crown Land auction on October 25 at the Public Works Department Office at 3 p.m. The lots are New Kowloon Island Lot No. 4534 at the junction of Poplar and Sai Yeung Choi Street, and Kowloon Island Lot No. 6034 on Prince Edward Road.

Blinker Pier, damaged during the war, is to be repaired. Government has called for tenders to be in by 12 noon on November 5.

Personalia

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday included Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Y. D. Wong, Mr. and Mrs. Murgatroyd, Mr. White, Messrs. A. Major, L. D. King, W. E. Joffe, L. Dyce, C. A. Griswold, S. Y. Do, and E. E. Kirby.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. Riveland, Mrs. M. M. A. Reyes, Mr. and Mrs. N. N. Speyer, Mrs. V. de Quibus, Messrs. V. de McCulloch, W. O'Connor, M. Marcel, G. W. Roy, D. M. MacKenzie, J. W. Wright, N. C. Stricker, T. W. Scott, F. A. Richards, and J. E. Berulden.

Mr. and Mrs. Morison arrived in the Colony yesterday from Saigon by Air France.

Mrs. H. Ryloff was among the passengers who arrived in Hong Kong on Thursday by Air France from Shanghai. On the same plane destined for Saigon were Mr. and Mrs. Y. Rivonien, M. Mauroit, M. Moulinsjeune and Ho Quan Phuoc.

INDIAN TEA FOR GERMANY

Berlin, October 14. The Joint Import-Export Agency of the Anglo-American Zones of Germany has bought US\$750,000 worth of Indian tea. The first delivery of the tea is expected to reach Hamburg from Calcutta during December. Negotiations are in progress for the import of US\$250,000 worth of spices from India—Reuters.

The opening of the Violet Peel Polytechnic at Wanchai has been postponed from Monday to Thursday, according to an official statement yesterday.

The clinic will cater for Eastern District residents who at present have to travel to the Sai Ying Pun Out-Patients Hospital for treatment.

Reminders

Today
H.K. Stage Club presents "Blithe Spirit," China Fleet Club Theatre, 9 p.m.
Hop Yunn School Fair, at school premises, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Tung Wah Hospital Flower Day, China Paintings Exhibition, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club annual ball, Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.
Interpret Swimming: Manila v. Hong Kong, Victoria Recreation Club, 9:30 p.m.
Engineering Society of Hong Kong visit to factories in Kowloon.

Coming Events
Symphony Concert, The H. Club, 10:30 p.m., Macdonnell Road, 8:45 p.m.
MONDAY
King George V. School: Parents' Association meeting, European YMCA, 8:30 p.m. (ten-served)
Crown Land Sale, PWD Office, 3 p.m.
H.K. Light Orchestra rehearsal, 27B Robinson Road, 8 p.m.
TUESDAY
H.K. Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12:30 p.m.

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From December 15, 1934 to June 9, 1941, accused had been sentenced nine times and placed under Police supervision twice. On December 23, 1946, and March 25, 1948, he was again before the courts, and sentenced to six months' hard labour on both occasions. He was again placed under police supervision.

Referring to the present charge, Inspector Orem said that at 11:45 a.m. on October 13, Lo Choi, a 30-year-old tailor of 4 Fife Street, boarded a house 2 bus going towards the Star Ferry.

Near Public Square Street, he felt a touch on the pocket of his inner jacket where he had kept \$1,000 in notes. He saw a man, who was sitting on the left, dropping the corner of his (complaints) jacket and taking his hand away.

Accused, who denied the accusation that he was trying to pickpocket, got off at the Po Hing Theatre. Complaint followed. After finding his inner jacket pocket still, and had him arrested.

At the Police Station, defendant admitted that he saw complainant's money when he was picking his bus fare, and that he, accused, had partially cut Lo's pocket when he was seen by complainant.

Remark that defendant had a very bad record, the magistrate sentenced him to 18 months' hard labour to be followed by two years' police supervision.

Police Force Parade

Seven hundred members of the Hong Kong Police Force will parade at Happy Valley on October 30 for the annual inspection by the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham.

Ceremonial uniform will be worn by the Governor, and the 700 police of all ranks will present at branches of the Force. The Criminal Investigation Department and the Police Reserve will also be represented. One of every type of vehicle employed in the Police Force will be included in the parade.

The inspection will start at 10 a.m. and members of the public should be in their places by 10:15 a.m. The review will last about an hour.

At the parade the Governor will make a presentation of two Colonial Police Medals and one Police Medal for Meritorious Service.

The 700 police on parade will include a police contingent from each district. They will represent roughly one-quarter of the whole Police Force.

SPEED-UP OF EMIGRATION

Hamburg, October 15. The British Foreign Office has agreed to a speed up of emigration of Jewish displaced persons from the British zone to Palestine, the Jewish Central Committee announced on Thursday.

Josef Rosenzweig, Chairman of the Committee, said the new programme will begin in a fortnight. At first 200 a month will be shipped via Marseilles. He hoped this number would later increase.

There are between 8,000 and 10,000 Jewish DPs in the British zone waiting to emigrate to Palestine. Most of the remainder are old people who want to join relatives in other countries.

Journey Ends For Chinese Student

By RALPH SHAW (Special to "China Mail")
A few weeks ago a young Chinese student arrived in Hong Kong with his sole worldly possessions—the clothes on his back and a fistful of pawn tickets.

For him it was the end of a long quest that started in beleaguered Taiyuan, provincial capital of Shansi, in April and ended in Hong Kong—a search through the vastness of China for a man who was his parents' friend 15 years ago. And it ended dramatically because the boy happened to pick up a newspaper in Shanghai and read it.

Young Langyu was a student at Shansi University in Taiyuan. The Communists were all round the city and it was decided to evacuate the university to Peiping. Despite the fact that his parents were in the beleaguered capital, where his father was commander of the Chinese Generalissimo's forces, young Langyu decided to leave with his fellow students for Peiping. His father armed him up in his resolve and, backed with the little money that his family could spare, and the quiet gift of a parting wing from his mother, the young student boarded a plane one evening—it was too dangerous to fly in the

High Merits Seen In Art Exhibits

The Exhibitions now being held respectively at St. John's Cathedral Hall and Hotel Cecil are indeed worthy of a visit by art lovers, because of the extraordinarily high merits of the works of the exhibitors.

The one at the St. John's Cathedral Hall is a collection of the Hong Kong Working Artists' Guild. They are divided into two main sections—Chinese Paintings and Western paintings in oils and watercolours, including gouache and mixed media.

Among the latter section may be mentioned the lively in the watercolours by Mr. Tsoi Lo On which is so suggestive of mist and atmosphere, the Surrealism of Mr. G. M. Wong whose work is full of fantasy and imagination, the colorful scheme of Mr. Lee Boi's oil, contrasted by the comeliness of Mr. Lee Byng's paintings, the realism of Mr. Ng Po Wan and the free rendering of Mr. Chau Kung Li's somewhat immature watercolours.

In the Chinese Art section, Mr. Chung Kung Li also exhibits his skill. Mr. Chao Shao On's black and flower subjects have been too well known for his colour harmony. On the other hand, Prof. Pau Shu Yau's versatility has covered not only birds and flowers but landscapes but also figure painting of which "The Poet" is at his best.

Miss Diana Kan also specialises in figure painting, particularly female beauties, but that the non-introduction of a background line made her work more of a figure painting. Her father, Mr. Kan Kam Shek, an expert calligraphist, also exhibits a few works ranging from still life to figure painting.

The other exhibition at Hotel Cecil is a show of the works of Prof. Pau Shu Yau and his pupils and for this reason he is better represented in this than the one at the Cathedral Hall. He shows his series of paintings illustrating "The Water Margin," and his new work, "The Water Margin," another version in a much smaller size than the series he exhibited a few months ago at the now defunct St. Francis Hotel.

Funeral Of Mr. Thoresen

The funeral of Mr. Thorbjorn Thoresen took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday. The service was conducted by the Reverend Father di Angelis.

The chief mourners were his widow and daughter. A large number of wreaths were sent by the many relatives and friends who were present including Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Randall, Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Mander, G. Halliday, C. A. P. Foster, S. E. Solina, I. Tamworth, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. P. Guest, Mrs. Connie Lee, A. Dobry, and the President and members of the Kowloon Cricket Club committee.

Mr. Thoresen, who was an outstanding figure in cricket circles, died at the Queen Mary Hospital on Thursday after a short illness.

Detective Awarded

Police Detective (742) Chan Wing has been awarded the Colonial Police Medal for Gallantry. It was announced in the Gazette yesterday.

Chan was in a police party that intercepted an armed gang of would-be robbers at West Point on February 4. Defying two armed men who fired at him, Chan was responsible for their eventual arrest. He also risked being shot at in his pursuit of the other men.

The Gazette also announced the award of the King's Police Medal for Gallantry to Constable Li Fo and Constable Chiu Ho-ching. The award of the Medal for Gallantry to Constable Li Fo was also included in yesterday's Gazette.

Chiu Ho-ching is awarded the Medal posthumously. He died of wounds sustained in a battle with an armed gang in Sai Kung District on May 29. Chiu Ho-ching, Li Fo and three men who cornered a gang of five armed men in a hut at Chik Kung. Chiu Kwai-sang covered the two men with his rifle. They then went to the hut and demanded the surrender of the five men. Chiu Ho-ching was fatally wounded by the three men who came out and surrendered. The other two armed men escaped.

APL Refitting 3 Vessels

The American President Lines announced yesterday the names of three cargo/passenger carriers at present being refitted at Camden, N.J. All three vessels were formerly U.S. Navy transports and saw active service in World War II.

President Van Buren, as President Harrison, as President Johnson. These ships will be completely equipped with the latest type cargo and safety devices to conform with the balance of American President Lines' fleet.

Correspondence

Further Answer

Sir—A further answer to John Ward's letter and also in support of the sailor who replied to it.

The sailor wishes his success, whether in sarcasm or not can be left to his own judgment. Prostitution here is no worse than in any other port as I know from personal experience. We think Mr. Ward and the "Women of the Colony" would be better employed minding their own business. In this peace-time era, we are here to ensure safety for Europeans. Realising this they should respect a service-man, but it is evident from their not rated very high in the Colony. We do not consider these girls are "thrown into the gutter." If these girls turn to prostitution, it is their affair, not Mr. Ward's. The normal tour for a time-serving man overseas is three years, this without leave of any sort.

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ROTARY CLUB

The speaker at the luncheon of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong on Tuesday at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, will be the Very Rev. Dean Rose. His subject will be "The Price of Peace."

SKETCHING PARTY

The Hong Kong Art Club will hold a sketching party tomorrow starting from Queen's Pier at 2.30 p.m. The sketching ground will still be at Aberdeen.

Local Fashion Show Impresses With Latest US Creations

The fashion conscious women of Hong Kong were once again given the privilege of viewing the very latest models brought here by air from America.

The fashion show was sponsored by the Linen Chest Ltd., of the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday afternoon. Lady Grantham, Mrs. W. G. Robertson, Mrs. T. V. Soong and Mrs. Lambert Kwok were present.

Mrs. Robertson, giving a short introduction to the show said: "The element of chance is always fascinating and hazardous. It is present in an almost alarming degree in the selection of one's clothes. Anything that will help to reduce the margin of error, or that will give us that rather blissful feeling of previewing just what is being worn must certainly be hailed with enthusiasm."

"We like to think that after the show today you will feel that your finger is definitely on the pulse and that you are, for the moment at least, very well informed."

Lady Grantham, declaring the show open, said that it was being held for a very good cause—to restore the library of the King George V School.

The very charming models—Miss Anderson, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Harper, Mrs. Esmail, Mrs. Muskett, Miss Nodde, Miss Romer, and Mrs. Walker—paraded gracefully before the large audience who gathered to see the many different gowns.

Throughout the show soft appropriate music was provided by Mr. G. Parks, Mr. V. Orloff and Mr. A. Krasoff with Miss Janet Nodde as the vocalist.

Mrs. J. Ramsay of the Linen Chest was kept busy announcing the different creations. Credit is due also to Mrs. Lila Parks, who made the show possible and who trained the models.

For Every Occasion

Gowns for every occasion were paraded. They included lounge pyjamas, the most startling of the three types shown being one outlined by Mrs. Esmail, entitled "Fireside."

It was of royal purple with a padded white satin hip length jacket. The pockets of the jacket were studded with gold.

Among the afternoon frocks there was one particularly outstanding creation of pearl gray designed by Fanyan's.

Cocktail hour as described by the Linen Chest was a delight to behold and most spectacular of all was a dramatic combination of sheer crepe and lace. The gown was modelled by Mrs. Esmail. More evening gowns to be worn at the time when every woman wishes to look her very best, were really breathtaking.

A creation called "Rosy Mist" expertly worn by Mrs. Muskett would have quickened the pulse of any clothes-conscious woman. The gown of soft dove grey over tulle tulle was designed with layer upon layer of nylon forming a full skirt while the light fitting bodice folded into the off-the-shoulder neckline with rosettes of pale pink enfolded in each shoulder.

Two very lovely gowns especially designed by Mrs. Parks received a very warm welcome. The gowns were entitled "Mardi Gras" and "Lacquered Lady" and "Debutante."

A complete description of all gowns modelled will be published in "The Sunday Herald's Woman's Page."

Trawlers To Leave For Try-Out

Two British mechanised trawlers, the Southern Glory and Southern Capital, are due to leave Hong Kong today for experimental runs to fishing grounds in deep waters South of the Colony.

The sister vessels, looking like pleasure craft with their blue hulls and yellow masts, belong to the Southern Fishing Industries (Hong Kong).

Formerly mine-sweepers, the vessels were converted into deep-sea fishing trawlers and equipped with Lister Diesel engines, capable of doing a maximum of nine knots.

The craft have each 2,500 cubic feet space for fish and ice, and can accommodate 15 persons each.

Each weighing 107 tons, they have otter-type gear for trawling and operate independently of each other. They measure more than 70 feet long.

Meanwhile, the fate of the Formosan-built mechanised trawlers, Chung Yu I and II, is still unknown.

The Chung Yu II is still missing after being driven away from her sister ship as they were coming back to Hong Kong through typhoon gales about 120 miles South West of the Colony.

Her sister craft, the Chung Yu I, which went to search for the missing vessel on information from a search plane that a craft was sighted south of St. John's Island, was detained by the Chinese Customs on route home. Mr. Tsao Tai, manager of the Yau Chuen Fishing Company, owners of the vessel, flew to Shanghai on Thursday to report to his principals personally.

Alarm Clocks Missing From French Liner

Five of eight packages, containing 250 "Nadana" table alarm clocks consigned to a Chinese dealer in Hong Kong, were missing among mail bags in the French liner Andre Lebon on her arrival.

The remaining three packages were empty. They were found to have been slashed open along the seam and re-sewn.

The tampering occurred while the goods were in transit from Switzerland to Hong Kong.

The clocks are golden in colour with luminous English figures. The Hong Kong police are investigating the case.

The ss. Andre Lebon is at present at Shanghai and will leave that port for Japan on October 20. She is due to arrive here towards the end of this month and leave for Marseilles via Saigon on October 30.

"Battle Of Beef Steak"

Paris, October 14. The French Government today intensified its war on food price profiteers as the Communist-led strike front crumbled further with the return to full normal rail traffic throughout Eastern France.

Premier Henri Queuille was closeted with officials in a "council of war" at what has become commonly known as the "battle of beef steak."

The only flare up in the work stoppage occurred at Begles, suburbs of Bordeaux, where the police sought to expel 600 strikers who barricaded themselves in an automobile factory three days ago holding the director as a hostage.

When strong forces of police and security guards prepared to assault the plant, some 1,000 workers from neighbouring metal factories hastened to support the sit-down strikers. At the last moment the prefect thought better of it and called off the assault while negotiations were resumed.

—United Press.

BODIES RECOVERED FROM TRAIN WRECK

Bogota, Colombia, October 14. 17 bodies were recovered today from the wreckage of a rail-road car that overturned last night 62 miles north of Bogota in Guandamara Province.

Thirteen of the dead have been identified. At least 25 people were injured, five seriously.—Reuters.



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Hong Kong Chamber Music Club

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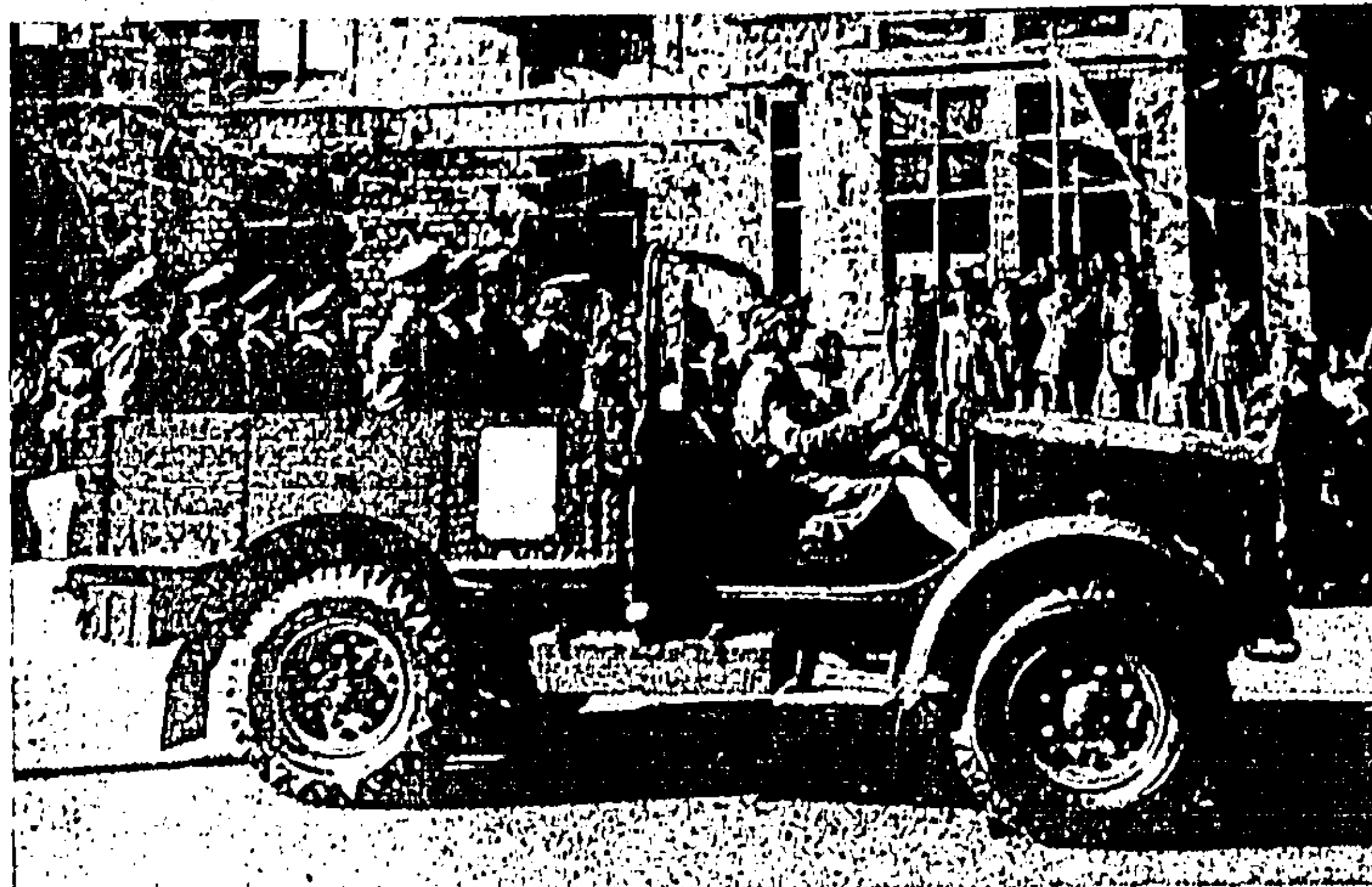
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Tedder Salutes ATS



Marshal of the Royal Air Force, Lord Tedder, takes the salute in the background as a truckload of ATS passes, with the women seated at attention. They were taking part in "Exercise Middlesex" recently, the biggest territorial parade of its kind held in the county.—AP Photo.

Republicans "Waiting Eagerly", Says Truman

Akron, Ohio, October 14.

President Truman today accused the Republican Party of "waiting eagerly for control of both Congress and the White House to destroy the New Deal."

In his most vigorous defence of the Roosevelt administration during his current campaign, Mr. Truman charged that the Republicans began to whittle the New Deal as soon as they got control of Congress and would do a "real hatchet job" if they got complete control of the Federal Government.

Mr. Truman made the charge in a speech at industrialised Akron in a frank bid for the labour votes of this rubber centre of the nation. It was his tenth appearance in a day of bitter storming for Ohio's 25 electoral votes, beginning at Cincinnati with a challenge that Mr. Thomas Dewey was afraid to discuss the issues of this campaign.

President Truman charged that Mr. Dewey had a part in the Republican campaign to scrap the New Deal.

"Their candidate for President has been chief prosecutor against the New Deal," he said. "He spoke against it, he campaigned against it. He wrote a book called 'The Case Against the New Deal' and now he wants to go to Washington to destroy it."

Watered Down

To prove his point, Mr. Truman cited a passage from the Taft-Hartley law and other legislation by the 80th Congress and the writings of Republican leaders of that Congress.

Describing the Wagner labour law as one of the cornerstones of the New Deal, Mr. Truman said one of the first things the 80th Congress did was to water it down. "They didn't have the votes to act outright."

Opium Found In Australian Port

Melbourne, October 14. Australian customs men here today seized 350 lbs weight of opium worth about £22,000 aboard the 6,975 tons motor vessel Chanda owned by the British India Steamship Navigation Company.

The opium was found in six hessian bags slung from hooks inside the funnel. It was the biggest haul of opium ever made in an Australian port.

Today's haul was the result of a continuous watch kept by customs men since 30 lbs of opium was found in the engine-room of the Chanda three weeks ago.

The Chanda, which has European officers with a mostly Indian crew, has been in port several weeks for repairs.—Reuter.

JOHN L. LEWIS GETS A RAISE

Cincinnati, October 14. The United Mine Workers Convention will today consider a proposal to increase the salary of its President, Mr. John L. Lewis, from \$25,000 to \$50,000. This will make him the highest paid union leader in the United States.—Reuter.

New Comet Discovered

Cambridge, Mass., October 14.

The discovery of a new comet by an observer at Mt. Lick Observatory was announced today by the Harvard College Observatory Director, Harlow Shapley.

He said the comet was moving slowly west and south in Constellation Aquarius on October 7. It is of the 14th magnitude and is not visible to the naked eye.—United Press.

German Transport Workers Strike

Frankfurt October 15.

About 9,000 German transport workers struck on Thursday over a drawn-out wage dispute. The Trade Union backed move effected only private transport business in the American zone State of Hesse.—Associated Press.



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SEE THE LITTLE CARDS. PRACTICALLY every player with any pretence to knowing the game at all will notice your high card signal on his lead, and make some deduction regarding why you used it. But those of low ability—or of such supreme confidence that they are weakened by their own carelessness—will often pay no attention whatever to the message given by a small card. Yet the key to successful defence against many contracts is exactly that—the news given by the tiny newboy who in effect says: "Don't do this, so do that."

SAQ 04
HK 10 04
DQ 7 0 3 2
C None

S K J 2
H A
D A K 10
5
C K J 10
0 8

(Dealer: West. Neither side vulnerable.)
West North East South
1 C Dbl 4 C 4 S
5 C Pass 4 Pass 5 H
Dbl 5 S Pass Pass

Just as there was no difference between the bidding on two tables of a pair duplicate, so there was none between the initial tricks at the two. West opened the diamond K, East playing the 4-spot. In one case West noticed the 4 and drew conclusions which influenced his next action, and in the other no heed was paid to it. Where the low card meant no-

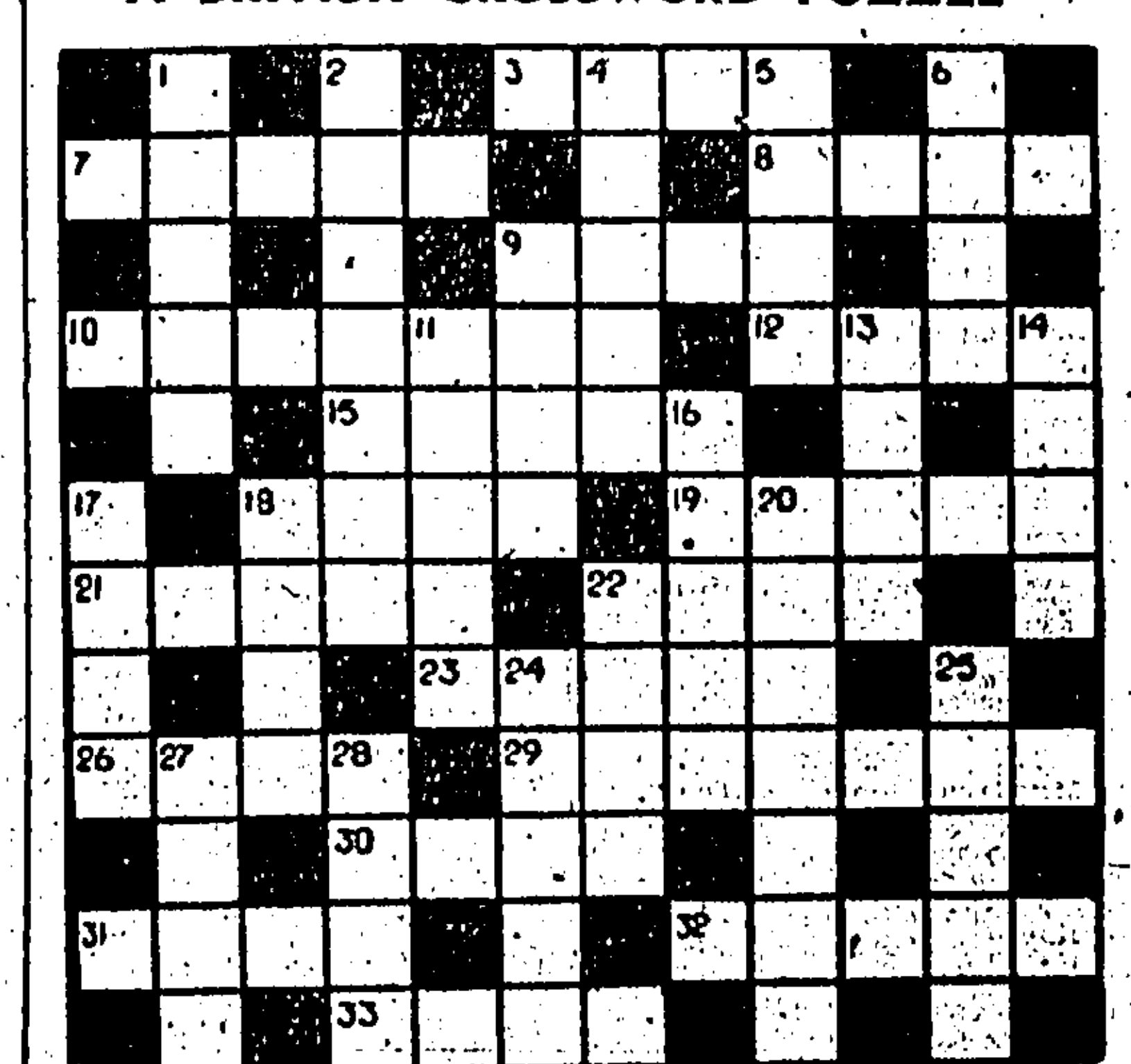
thing to the non-observant West, the diamond A was led to the second trick. South ruffed that, finessed the spade 9 because of West's double, and discarded the club 2 on the diamond Q, a discard which the declarer at the other table was never able to obtain. It will be noted that South could not afford to ruff out both of his clubs in the dummy, as that would not leave him enough trumps there to shut out West's trumps if he used two for ruffing. At this table South lost no more tricks except two in hearts, so was down one. At the other table, West shifted after seeing East's 4 on the diamond lead. He laid down the heart A and then led his spade 2. With two tricks already gone South had to lose two more, so was set two tricks for a bad score as compared with the declarer who went down only one—incidentally a good score for the defenders with an alert West.

Tomorrow's Problem

S Q J 9 3
H K Q 10
D Q 8 6
C 7 6 5

(Dealer: North. East-West vulnerable.)
What is the best play for 6-Spades after West leads the trump 5?

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Clues Across

5 Flag
7 Make
9 difficult
11 Heroic
13 tale
15 Wickedness
17 Impute
19 Snare
21 Sarcasm
23 Scheme
25 Ant

Clues Down

1 Banquet
2 Childish
4 Refuge
5 Skin
6 Opera singer
8 Black
11 Angry
13 Forces
14 Marrow

Yesterday's Crossword

Across: 1. Harass, 7. Murk, 9. Crisp, 10. Tempo, 11. Apso, 13. Immaculate, 15. Urge, 16. Pets, 19. Remembered, 22. Loan, 23. Witch,

25. Inter, 26. Melo, 27. Random, Down: 2. Axiom, 3. Aspic, 4. Settle, 5. Immature, 6. Eros, 8. Uper, 12. Emend, 13. Impel, 14. Assented, 17. Trail, 18. Tether, 20. Balm, 21. Ratio, 24. Owed.

US STARTED COLD WAR, SAYS SCIENTIST

London, October 14.

One of Britain's best known scientists accused the United States today of being guilty of starting the cold war with Russia.

Professor P.M.S. Blackett, of the University of Manchester, asserted in a new book that the present world tension grew out of American use of the atom bomb against Japan for political rather than military purposes.

At atomic scientist himself, Professor Blackett cites the dropping of the bomb on Japan two days before the planned start of the Soviet offensive and analysis of American reports to show this timing was apparently intentional. Professor Blackett said it kept Russia out of Japan for one thing. He added his British and American colleagues suffered intense inner conflict when they realised their brilliant research had gone not to save American lives as they believed but to win a diplomatic victory in post-war power politics.

Russia Is Right

In his book, "Military and Political Consequences of Atomic Energy," Professor Blackett is often strongly critical of the American atomic policy and contends Russia is right to reject the "precious" American plan of control. But he credits the United States with a considerable diplomatic triumph in getting so many people to regard its plan as wise and generous and that Russia appears to be backing away from its failure to agree with proposals which were actually against its own interests.

Professor Blackett, a distinguished experimental physicist and pioneer in the study of cosmic rays and atomic particles, is a veteran of the first world war whose scientific achievements helped beat the Germans in the last war. He holds a Gold Medal of the Royal Society and the American Medal of Merit. His book ridicules the idea that the atom bomb could win an overnight war against Russia. He estimates Germany doubled its production of ordinary bombs equal in destructive power to 400 atom bombs and that its people were withstanding the equivalent of 150 atom bombs a month in the last months of the war.

The Professor cites long arguments to show an offensive war by Russia against the United States was impossible at least for five years and probably till 1950. But the United States, he says, could mount an offensive war before that time.

US Obsessed

Professor Blackett, who is at present evaluating an important theory on the earth's magnetic field, holds the United States is obsessed with a search for the impossible—complete security from the atom bomb—although it is already outstripped as a deadly weapon by radioactive poisons and germ bombs. This obsession, he says, is responsible for the Baruch and other American atomic plans which would force Russia to open her country to inspection and possible military espionage with only the word of the United States that

its own bombs eventually would be destroyed. Fear of the atom bomb and American "sensitivity" to war casualties has led to some agitation in the United States that it would be better to give up atomic energy rather than risk war horrors. But Professor Blackett points out, comparatively backward Russia needs this energy far more than the Anglo-Americans. Professor Blackett said Russia certainly does not have a big stockpile of atom bombs, if it has any at all, but there is no reason why it should not have the even deadlier germ bombs—United Press.

RN Ships Refitted To Standardise With USN?

London, October 14.

The Daily Express said on Thursday the British Cabinet has approved refitting every British fighting ship to standardise power plants with those of the United States Navy.

The purpose, the Express said, is to enable the Royal Navy to use American "radar and secret devices" which will not operate on the 50 cycle frequency generating machinery of British ships. U.S. Navy generators work at 60 cycles.

Chapman Pincher, Express Science correspondent, wrote that the Cabinet approved the standardising move so the Admiralty might "buy freely in the American armament market in an emergency."

"Big orders," he wrote, have already been placed. The preparedness plan and the reported standardisation move fall into the broader rearmament pattern set by a slowdown of demobilisation in the Armed Forces, a new recruiting campaign, and a 100 percent increase in jet fighter plane production. Pincher wrote that British Navy ships will in future use nonflash

perite of the American type as a shell propellant instead of cordite, which reveals a ship's position by its flash. An Admiralty spokesman denied the report yesterday. "There have been informal exchanges of view from time to time in efforts to achieve economy and efficiency. It is hoped that such informed exchanges will continue," he said.—Associated Press.

Sylvester To Appeal

Jerusalem, October 14. Frederick Sylvester, the Briton sentenced here to seven years' imprisonment for broadcasting information useful to the enemies of Israel, will appeal in the Israel Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Appeal, on November 1.

The appeal claims that the Jerusalem district court which sentenced him had no jurisdiction to convict him on count 1 (broadcasting military information). It has been reported that Sylvester had been removed from Jerusalem to a prison "somewhere in Israel."—Reuter.

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Churchills In Belgium

Brussels, October 14.

The British Shipowner leader, Mr. Winston Churchill and his wife, paying a private visit to Belgium as the guests of Prince Charles, arrived here today aboard the Regent's personal plane. They are to stay in Brussels' Royal Palace.

Mr. Churchill is expected to travel to Bruges, where he intends to finish paintings of the ancient city's picturesque sites—the former Beguinage Monastery and the famous Lac d'Amour—which he started two years ago.—Reuter.

YOSHIDA BACK AS PREMIER

Tokyo, October 14.

Shigeru Yoshida, the former Japanese Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, was again elected Prime Minister tonight by the Japanese Diet. Seventy-year-old Yoshida was first appointed Prime Minister in May 1946 but his Cabinet resigned a year later in conformity with the new constitution.

He will succeed Mr. Hiroshi Ashida, whose government resigned on October 7 after accepting "responsibility" for the recent 2,000,000,000 Yen black market scandal involving the Showa Denko Fertiliser Company.

Yoshida is expected to try to form a Cabinet from the right wing Democratic Liberals and some supporters from the Democratic Party. He has indicated his intention to dissolve the Diet and hold a general election, and the Cabinet, if formed in time, will preside only over the current emergency session of the Diet at which the principal legislation to be enacted will be the National Public Service Law, drafted on instructions of General MacArthur, to prohibit strikes of government workers.—Reuter.

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COUNTER BLOCKADE OF SOVIET-HELD GERMANY

Frankfurt, October 14.

The United States and Britain today put teeth into their counter blockade of Soviet-occupied Germany by ordering the confiscation of all undocumented goods headed from Bizonia to the Russian zone.

Shipments which reach the border even with proper shipping documents will be sent back to the shipper, an Anglo-American order ruled.

The confiscation order was only a new feature in today's document issued by the Bipartite Control Office here. Its other provisions consolidated earlier measures in Western embargo on shipments to the Soviet area.

The confiscation order was circulated among German officials and ruled:

(1) "Until further notice, the international trade permit will not be issued for commodity movements to the Soviet zone or to the Soviet sector of Berlin. All international permits issued prior to the issuance instructions will automatically be invalidated."

(2) "Shipments arriving at the Bizonia-Soviet zone border, accompanied by international trade

permits, are to be intercepted and turned back to the consignor."

(3) "Shipments and vehicles arriving at the Bizonia-Soviet zone border, accompanied by the international trade permits are to be seized, the shipper prosecuted and the goods disposed of in accordance with the directions of the consignor."

(4) "The international trade permit which provides legal authority for international commodity transfer and legal movement in international trade from the Bizonia area to the Soviet zone or Soviet sector of Berlin, is no longer possible. The only exemptions permit the following items: Newspapers, authorised cargoes via the Anglo-American airlift and properly documented relief and gift parcels and welfare shipments.—United Press.

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8.15 p.m.—"Battered" Round-Up.

8.30 p.m.—"The Clock" Jack and Hong Kong by J.P. Danby and P.P. Casella (Studio).

9.00 p.m.—World, Theatre, and Byrd.

9.15 p.m.—"The Golden Hour" by European (Studio).

10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).

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10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

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Israeli Called On For Early Report Of Murder Investigation

Paris, October 14.

Britain and China jointly called on the Israeli Government today for an early report to the Security Council on its investigation of the assassination of Count Bernadotte, the Palestine Mediator.

The Council adjourned without taking a vote on their resolution. Earlier, Dr. Ralph Bunche, acting mediator, reported on the difficulties of the truce observers in the Holy Land.

He said that the Stern Gang had been opposed to the whole principle of mediation in the Holy Land and had conducted an open campaign against Count Bernadotte.

Dr. Bunche said that he did not care to speculate what was the political motive behind the assassination of the Count. "It came as a terrible shock to the Truce Supervision personnel, but I am happy to say that this work of supervising the truce goes on and morale is high."

He stated that the Count's visit to Jerusalem the day he was killed was notified in advance, but no protection was provided by the local authorities.

Dr. Bunche described as maliciously untrue allegations that Count Bernadotte had "deliberately invaded the Stern Gang stronghold." The Count never asked for protection, but never refused it when offered.

Dr. Bunche said that suggestions that United Nations personnel generally should be required to move about only with guards were quite unacceptable.

Not In Vein

He paid a moving tribute to Count Bernadotte and said that he hoped the late Mediator's life and that of the five other United Nations officials killed in Palestine had not been given in vain.

The Acting Mediator then outlined the details of the assassination and recalled that the crime had been officially acknowledged by the Stern Gang.

Dr. Bunche had been invited to make a statement when the Security Council began to discuss violations of the Palestine truce, which he has declared indicate an increasingly serious situation in the Holy Land.

The Council had before it a long list of breaches by both sides reported by Dr. Bunche, as well as separate allegations by the Jews.

As the Council was sitting reports from Amman, capital of Transjordan, said that several mortars and grenades exploded at New Gate and Mount Zion in Jerusalem last night.

When the meeting opened, Faris Bey El Khoury (Syria) objected to the manner in which it had been called, stating that the problem of Palestine was not an urgent one.

No Urgency

"I do not see that there is any great urgency," Faris Bey insisted.

The President, Mr. Warren Austin, explained that it had not been convenient to hold an earlier meeting of the Council and the opportunity had been taken of the presence in Paris of Dr. Ralph Bunche and of the fact that there was a meeting of the Political Committee this afternoon.

Faris Bey repeated that he could not agree as to urgency, but he had no objection to hearing Dr. Bunche's statement.

Mr. Austin said that Palestine was an urgent matter, one of life and death.

The agenda was adopted by eight votes to one, with three abstentions, after criticism by the Soviet and Lebanese delegates that documents concerning the agenda were not circulated in time.

Dr. Bunche was then invited to address the Council.

He described Count Bernadotte as a great international servant of peace, "thoroughly honest, independent and fearless, who drove himself relentlessly to rescue the Holy Land from its tragic plight."

"I will first outline the essential facts of the assassination of the Mediator, but very briefly," Dr. Bunche said.

Planned Murder

This was essentially a well-planned, carefully timed murder, aimed directly at the life of the Mediator. It occurred in territory administered by the armed forces of the Provisional Government of Israel, and has since been officially acknowledged by persons known as the "Stern group" of fighters of Israel.

"From the beginning this group had carried on opposition to the Mediator, to the truce, and to the whole principle of mediation through the mediation of press bulletins," Dr. Bunche added.

"The assassination of the Mediator was a planned murder, and I do not care to speculate as to the motives behind it. It was a terrible shock to the truce supervision personnel, but I am happy to say that this work of supervising the truce goes on and that morale is high."

Dr. Bunche added that on his

last visit to Jerusalem no protection was provided for Count Bernadotte by the local authorities, despite demonstrations against him on the previous visit.

This was in contrast with the treatment generally accorded the Mediator elsewhere, he commented.

His visit was notified through official channels in Jerusalem, well in advance.

Claims Untrue

Dr. Bunche continued: "I must say that I have seen unofficial allegations that Count Bernadotte had deliberately invaded the Stern Gang stronghold. These allegations are maliciously untrue. Count Bernadotte never asked for protection, but he never refused it when offered. The usual practice was that such protection was given to him."

"In view of suggestions made in more than one place that United Nations personnel generally should be required to move about only in the company of guards and only when such guards are available, it must be made clear that this would be quite unacceptable."

"I must frankly state my own conclusion, which is that I find there was negligence on the part of the Jewish authorities in Jerusalem, and had the main precautions been taken the crime could not have been committed," Dr. Bunche said.

"This responsibility is adequately covered in the resolution of the Security Council of August 24, which allocates to each party responsibility for the regular or irregular forces operating in territory under its control."

Investigation

"As to the investigation, I have at this stage no official information as to the progress of the investigation. I was informed on September 10 by the Foreign Minister in Tel-Aviv that an investigation was already under way and that a considerable number of arrests had been made."

"Since then I have received a communication setting forth the measures taken by the Provisional Government of Israel to stamp out terrorism in Palestine. Other than that, I have received no official report on the progress of investigations."

"It would be advantageous for the United Nations to have a full report from the Provisional Government of Israel giving full details of the assassination, the steps taken to identify the murderers and of the official findings."

Dr. Bunche paid tribute to U.N. personnel in Palestine, frequently ducking snipers' bullets, and said they had no protection other than their white arm bands and flag.

"The fact that only six have been killed and seven wounded since June 11 is attributable only to good fortune, because narrow escapes have been many, he said.

Dr. Bunche said that the truce could only be effective and fair to both sides if United Nations personnel obtained a reasonable degree of co-operation, and called on the Security Council to demand this."

Impartiality

Faris Bey, Syria's chief delegate, followed to express his appreciation of Dr. Bunche's written and oral reports. He paid a tribute to the "impartiality, wisdom and balanced judgement" of "impartial points" which Dr. Bunche had displayed.

He noted that Dr. Bunche had not indicated which party was responsible for the tendency towards increasing carelessness towards United Nations officials and the actions of the Security Council.

Faris Bey added: "According to information I have received from my Government, observers are received in Syria with the greatest respect and friendliness, and all facilities are afforded them. My people consider them manifestations of peace and conciliation."

He said that in the incidents in which six United Nations officials were killed and seven wounded, it had never shown that the Arabs had been responsible, either intentionally or through lack of adequate precautions.

"Speaking of the assassination of Count Bernadotte," Faris Bey said: "This was a deliberate crime, carried out by a large group, with 10,000 fighters, which had along been under the supervision of the Jewish Agency and the Zionist Organization."

He added that, although the Security Council had been previously informed of the assassination, it was not gratified by its activities.

The Mediator was assassinated while serving the Jewish cause.

PW 'Talked With God'

Balem, Oregon, October 14. Jacob Dessazor, who participated in the Doolittle raid on Tokyo, will leave on November 8 with his wife and child for Japan to become a missionary.

Dessazor, who was imprisoned by the Japanese for 41 months, graduated from Seattle Pacific College last June. It was during his 41 months of brutal captivity that he decided to become a missionary in Japan. He said, "I talked with God."

Dessazor will be a Free Methodist Church minister. —United Press.



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no reports to the Security Council, or to the acting Mediator, regarding the progress of the investigation into the assassination.

The resolution requests that the Government of Israel to submit to the Security Council at an early date an account of the progress made in the investigation and to indicate therein the measures taken with regard to negotiations on the part of officials, or other factors affecting the crime.

The resolution reminds the governments and authorities concerned that all the obligations and responsibilities of the parties set forth in the Council's resolutions of July 16 and August 10, 1948, are to be discharged fully and in good faith, including ready access and facilities for duly accredited United Nations observers and other truce supervision personnel. —Reuter.

Bevin's Key To Peace For Next 100 Years

London, October 14.

The key to peace for the next 100 years lies in the Indian Ocean, the Middle East, Pakistan, India and Ceylon, Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, told the Nation Manufacturers Union at a luncheon here today.

He said Britain had ceased to be an imperialistic race. "We dominate nobody. We accept equality in religion, in colour, in status and in the areas which we still control we are directing our energies towards independence and self-government."

He added: "I believe that if we can organise Western Europe, with its direct connections with the Middle East; if we can use the great resources of our colonial empire in Africa; if we can work out co-operation with our great

Ex-H.K. Taipan In Big Post

London, October 14.

A former Hong Kong taipan, Mr. Dallas Bernard, is to become Deputy Chairman of the Bank of England.

Lord Catto, Governor of the Bank of England since 1944, has told the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, that he will follow the Bank's rule and retire two weeks before his 70th birthday—on March 15 next year.

The King has approved the appointment of Mr. Cameron Gobbold, who is 44, to succeed him. He will serve for five years.

Mr. Dallas Bernard will become Deputy Governor. Lord Catto had several connections with India, being Director of the Mercantile Bank of India and serving as a member of the Indian Government Retrenchment (Income) Commission from 1922 to 1923.

Mr. Gobbold is the youngest Governor of the Bank since 1847. He joined the Bank in 1933 as an adviser, and became Deputy Governor in 1943.

Mr. Bernard, who is 60, was elected to the House of Directors of the Bank of England in 1936.

He joined Jardine, Matheson Company, Hong Kong, in 1911. He was managing director of the firm from 1922 to 1928, and then returned to London. He was an Executive Council Member of Hong Kong from 1927 to 1928, and of the Legislative Council from 1928 to 1929. He was for several years Chairman of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. —Reuter.

"OUR BROTHERHOOD OF NATIONS": THE KING

London, October 14.

King George VI described the British Commonwealth as "our brotherhood of nations" in a speech to the Dominion Prime Ministers and other representatives of the dinner he gave in their honour at Buckingham Palace last night.

The speech, the text of which was made public today, referred to the lead which the Commonwealth could give to a world which today "is in a state of terrible distress."

Welcoming his guests, the King said: "I extend that welcome particularly to the Prime Ministers of India, Pakistan and Ceylon, who are taking their place for the first time in the councils of our brotherhood of nations."

"For myself, I specially welcome these meetings in London, for this gives me the opportunity to meet and talk with my Ministers from countries overseas. Nonetheless, I hope there is an opportunity will be found from time to time to hold some meetings in other Commonwealth capitals."

Saying that never before had any of his predecessors or himself entertained simultaneously the chief Ministers of no less than nine Governments, the King added: "Beneath this outward significance of our gathering lies something of far greater importance. You, who have come so far to confer in London with each other and the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, are charged with the good government of more than 500,000,000 souls."

"That is a solemn thought, illustrating the immense direct responsibility which lies on you in your deliberations. Indirectly, it extends to many millions more."

"The peoples of the world look, almost despairingly, to their gov-

Genuine Welcome

Here in London, Mr. Nehru, the Indian Premier, has proved to be a dominating and popular figure, at the Conference. He has received a welcome that he finds to be genuine and that has moved him deeply.

Commonwealth quarters informed on the background of the issue of Indian continuation in the Commonwealth are, however, the first to deprecate oversimplification of the Indian constitutional issue at this stage.

Mr. Nehru will naturally convey to his Government on his return his considered appraisal of any consultations that may take place on this subject, but it is the people of India, who, in their own time and through their Constituent Assembly, will make the decision one way or the other.

Commonwealth quarters criticised "exaggerated" reports from London published abroad suggesting that Australia and New Zealand are alarmed that Indian severance from the Commonwealth would create a vital breach in global anti-Communist strategy.

Australia and New Zealand naturally wish to see India remain in the Commonwealth for a variety of reasons apart from strategic considerations.

The suggestions of alarm are, however, at variance with the evident belief in Australian and New Zealand quarters that a formula may eventually be found that will enable India to reconcile her national aspirations with some form of continued association with the Commonwealth group. —Reuter.

Arctic War Training For USAF

Washington, October 14.

The U.S. Air Force announced today that 15 B-30 Superforts would be flown to Alaska in three groups of five planes each, starting November 1, for 45 days of intensive training in Arctic air war.

The giant bombers, an improved postwar version of B-29, will be the first B-50s ever sent to Alaska.

Word of the move came on the heels of an announcement that Colonel B. Balchen, famed Arctic flying expert, had been recalled to active duty at his own request for service in Alaska.

It also coincided with the disclosure of a top-level conference in Tokyo among the American commanders in Alaska and the Pacific on measures to prevent another "Pearl Harbour" surprise attack on the United States. Military leaders are seeking to link defensive measures of American forces in Japan and other Far Eastern points with those stationed in Alaska.

Both areas, according to military sources here, would have difficulty withstanding a sustained attack because of the meagre size of their garrisons. Alaskan defences were stripped with the coming of winter.

Meanwhile, reports were circulating in defense circles here that a single military command would be formed, soon for the North East approaches to the United States. —United Press.



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MACKENZIE KING RESTING QUIETLY

London, October 14.

Mr. W.L. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, who is prevented by illness from attending the Dominion Prime Ministers' Conference here, was this afternoon reported to be "resting quietly" at his hotel. —Reuter.

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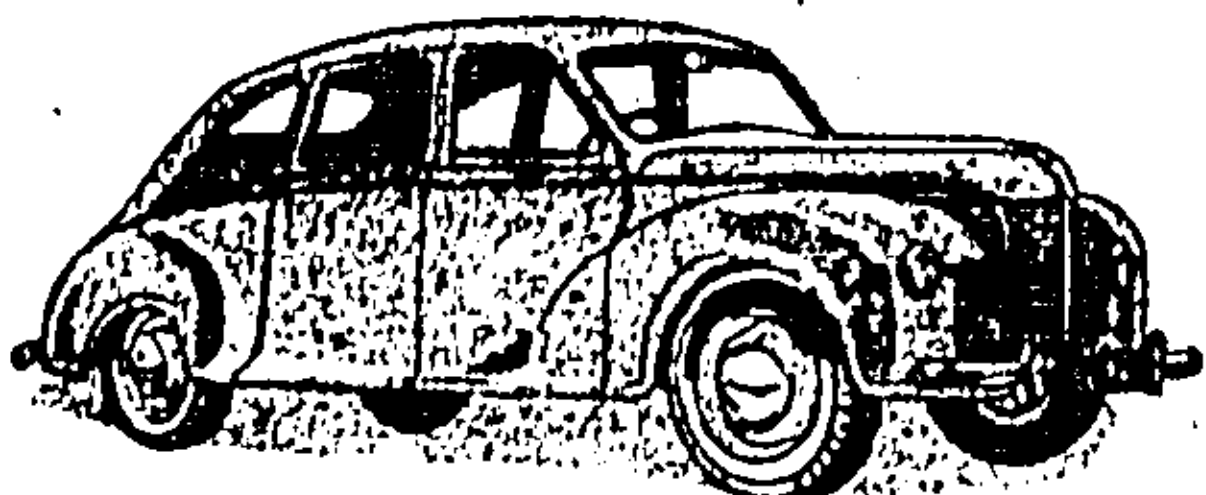
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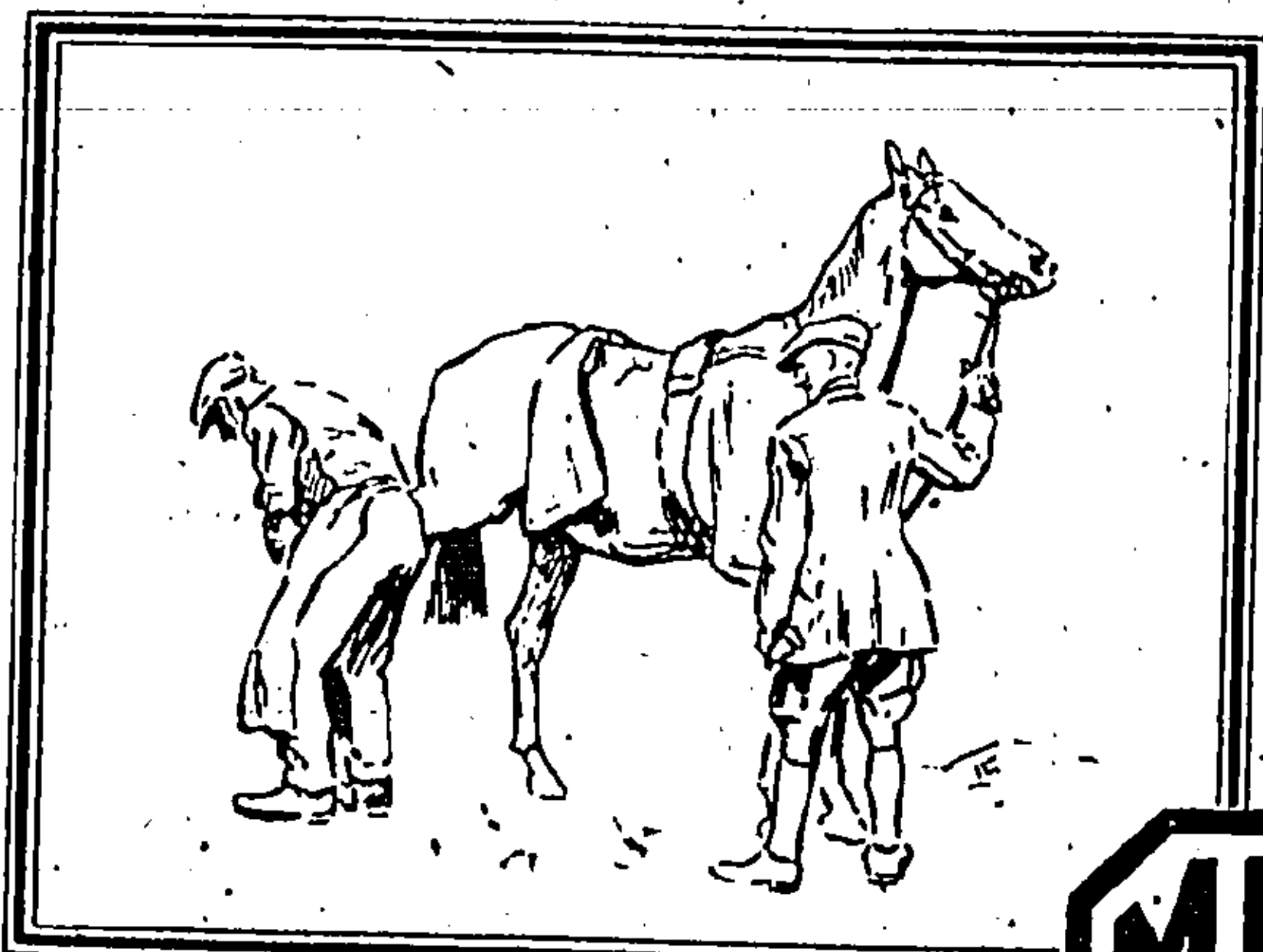
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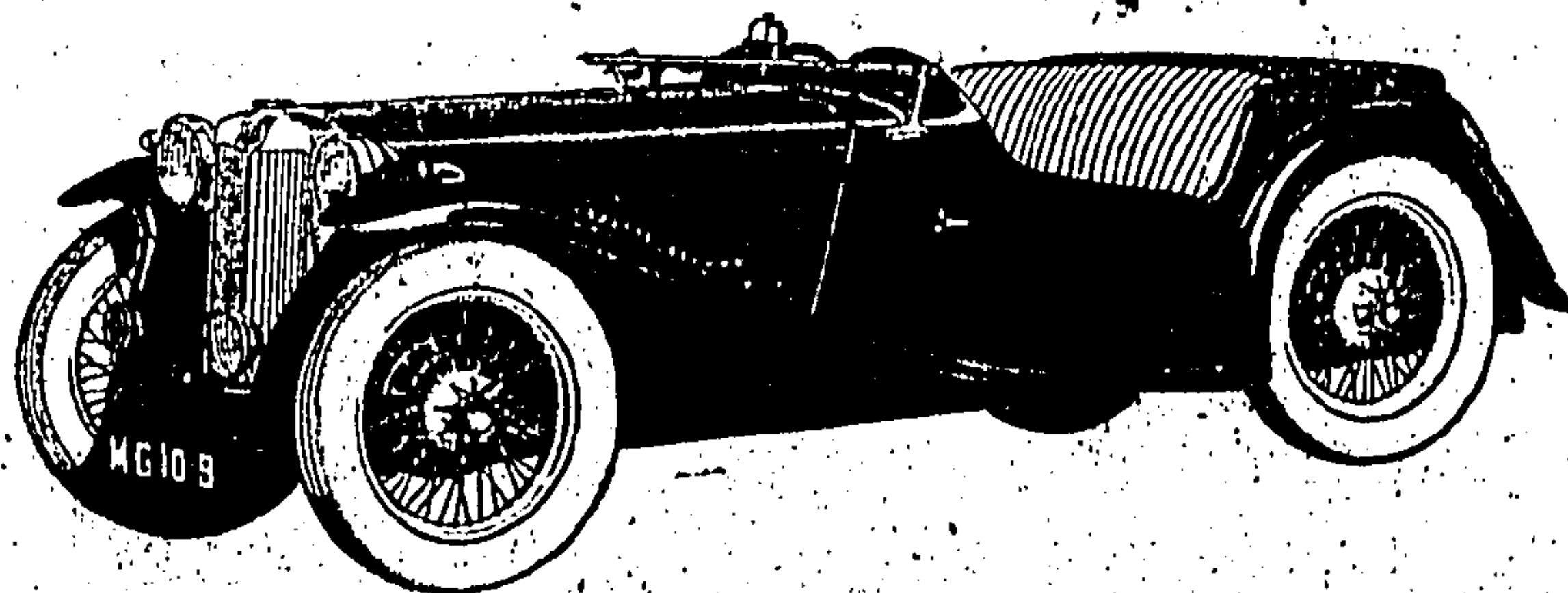
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MOTORING NEWS AND VIEWS

THIS AIRLIFT MAKES FAST WORK OF CHANNEL CROSSING

Flying with your car between England and France is a logical sequence to air lifts of mechanical transport carried about of necessity during the war.

Brought into operation recently, it means, in terms of time, that, allowing for a 30 m.p.h. road average over the 77 miles between Hyde Park Corner and Lympne airport, one can be motoring in France within four hours of leaving London.

The sponsors of the new ferry are Silver Cities Airways, with head offices at 1, Great Cumberland Street, London. W.I. these people, incidentally, are specialists in V.I.P. travel, and, among other things, flew Mr. Churchill to and from Marakeesh during his recent visit there. For the present, they are running the cross-Channel ferry on a charter basis, but it is expected that the service will prove sufficiently popular to justify a regular service next year.

We were able to go to Le Touquet on the inauguration run, and were impressed by the smoothness with which the whole arrangement worked. Having booked the aircraft for a specified day and time, one loads one's car with up to the full complement of luggage and passengers and sets off for Lympne, timing one's arrival for one hour before the time scheduled for take-off. In our case, the car was an Armstrong Siddeley "Lancaster" saloon with four passengers.

Car Is Met

On arrival at Lympne, representatives of the company meet the car, clear it through customs and load it into the aircraft while the passengers and their luggage are also undergoing customs examination. By the time they are through, the car is practically loaded, shackled down and the aircraft ready for take-off. On an average, the crossing of 42 miles, from take-off to touch-down, takes 20 mins., slight variations either way being occasioned by weather conditions, but these do not amount to more than a minute or so.

On arrival at Le Touquet travellers are met by an English-speaking representative of the company, who sees them through the customs—a commendably brief procedure, while the car is being unloaded and cleared. In the event of the passengers being ready before the car, there is an excellent club at the airport where one can eat and drink in truly French style before taking the road.

Cars, incidentally, can be carried with up to three-quarters of a tank full of petrol, and on landing in France petrol coupons for the equivalent of 40 gallons are issued from the customs office at the airport as at any other port of entry.

The aircraft used for the service are twin-engined Bristol freighters, eminently stable machines which fly quite well on one engine and have a garage space of 31ft. 6 ins. by 8 ft., which provides accommodation for two

Cars Pouring Into S Africa

With the arrival by sea recently of 495 cars from Britain, America, Italy and the Port Elizabeth assembly plants, a new record figure for car landings at Durban was set up, for the second time in three weeks. A shipment of 240 cars from London has been landed there by a ship outbound for Australia, the first vessel with an all-car cargo to call at Durban since the war. Nearly 6,000 cars already have reached the port this year.

Although there has been a big increase in South African production, there is no indication yet of output catching up with the huge demand. With the completion of the Nash assembly plant at East London and the Studebaker plant in Vitenhage, every important manufacturer in America will have his assembly works in operation or under construction in South Africa.

Nearly two million pounds is being spent by General Motors South Africa, Ltd., and the Ford Motor Company, Ltd., of South Africa, on increased plant facilities.

A SNACK FOR A BRISTOL



Like a snake with its tongue hanging out the Bristol freighter always seems ready to receive a car to be flown across the English Channel. The "tongue" is a special ramp which ensures that the cars, even with considerable overhang, do not ground at the rear, and that they enter the aircraft nearly level.

average-sized cars—a Mark VI Bentley and an Armstrong Siddeley, for example. The cars are driven into the aircraft under their own power up a specially constructed ramp, and the wheels are securely fastened down and checked so that there is no possibility of any free movement during the trip.

No Movement

During taxiing one noticed a little up and down movement of the chassis on the springs, but none in flight, even though we ran into the edge of a full-blown thunderstorm on the way back from France. Passengers do not ride in the car, but are accommodated in a cabin at the rear of the aircraft.

The total cost for the single journey for any size of car with four people and luggage is £22 inclusive, which, for example, works out at just £5/7—more than a first class crossing with cabin on the nationalised Dover-Calais passenger service with equivalent load, and £11/8—more than the stage journey on the Dover-Dunkerque car ferry night service with two two-berth cabins.

What justification is there for the additional outlay?

In the first place, and probably most important of all, there is the tremendous saving in time. By needing to be at the airport only an hour before time of take-off one saves an hour at the outset. On the actual cross-Channel trip one saves an hour compared with the Dover-Calais service, or over three hours compared with the Dunkerque trip, although it must be admitted, this service runs at night when time is of no great consequence.

Then, on arrival on the other side, there is an additional saving of both time and temper because there are, at the most, only eight to go through the Customs instead of a whole household.

One cannot legislate for sea or air-sickness—some people are prone to both. This much can be said, however, on the day we flew over it was straight and level the whole way with scarcely a tremor, while, on the Channel, 1,000 feet below, it was obvious from the behaviour of such vessels as we saw that they were not enjoying similar tranquillity. And, anyway, if sickness is unavoidable, it is surely an advantage to suffer for as little time as possible.

IMPROVED AUSTIN FINISH

A new plant, installed at the Austin Motor Car Company's works at Longbridge, near Birmingham, England, will considerably improve the paint finish to Austin motor cars. These cars were previously finished in cellulose paint with final polishing by power mops. The new plant uses a synthetic paint giving more protection and durability and an excellent finish. The subsequent polishing is effected by the passage of the bodies through a gas-heated drying tunnel 400 feet long, which reduces drying time to under an hour.

Twenty car bodies an hour can be dealt with and, in passing through the plant, each body covers a distance of nearly half-a-mile suspended from conveyor chains. The time taken for the full journey is approximately six hours. The bodies move at a rate of seven feet a minute and can be rotated by the sprayer in a cradle so that he can apply the spray at the best working position and reach otherwise inaccessible surfaces.

The final coats are sprayed in a tunnel 130 feet long, with shadowless lighting of high intensity given by four rows of fluorescent tubing. To ensure that only dust-free air enters the spraying chamber, it is filtered and washed by an elaborate process and heated to 60 degrees Fahrenheit. After double filtering the air passes down through the chamber, picking up surplus paint spray. Before the air is allowed to disperse the paint spray is washed out of it by water jets. The paint, mixed at a central mixing room, is pumped through copper pipes to the spraying positions.

At the final stage of the operation the bodies enter the 400-foot tunnel through the gas-drying tunnel where a temperature of 260 degrees is maintained. The moisture temperature control and electronic flame failure equipment are incorporated. The new plant is capable of finishing 1,000 bodies a week. It is designed and made entirely in Britain and is the most advanced of its type in the world, being the first ever to use the rotary cradle system.

New Circuit Loses No Power

A new electric traction circuit for which a number of advantages are claimed has been produced by Lansing Egnall Limited, of Isleworth, Middlesex, England. The manufacturers claim that in this circuit no power is lost in wasteful series resistance; a single accelerator gives the desired speed, smooth starting is ensured; and power is re-generated into the batteries when slowing down, stopping, or descending gradients.

The circuit is installed in a new battery-driven road vehicle which has the further advantages of all these vehicles—low operating costs and ease and simplicity of maintenance. No separate charging board is required for the vehicle, cutting-out when the battery is fully charged is incorporated. Four 12-volt batteries drive the machine, and these are sufficient to enable it to run to a maximum of ten miles an hour for 50 miles. The battery can be recharged during the night at low cost.

The vehicle is fitted with a single accelerator pedal which gives

FORDS MADE IN GERMANY AGAIN

The Duesseldorf branch of the Joint Export-Import Agency announced recently that the Ford Motor Works in Cologne will produce its first post-war passenger car on October 1, 1948.

The cars will be available for export against payment in dollars. German nationals who have earned bonus "A" foreign exchange will likewise be eligible to purchase the vehicles.

The passenger car is called "Taunus" and it will be a two-door four-cylinder model costing \$925. Production is being supervised by the Detroit plant of the Ford Motor Co. in order that the car shall conform to their standards.

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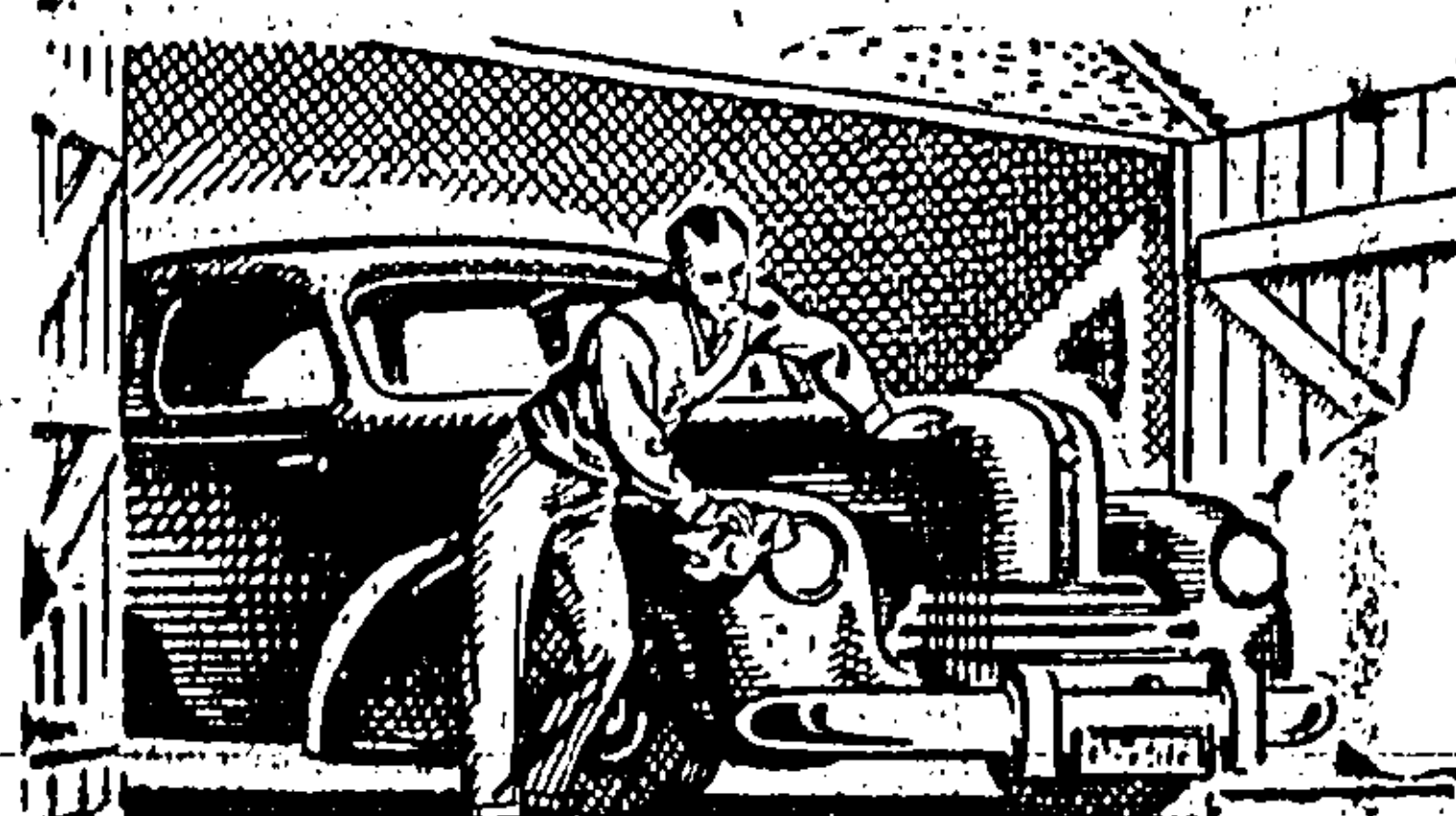
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Nationalists Must Hold Chinsien And Taiyuan

Peiping, October 15.

The fate of North China and, in a sense, of the whole country is hinged largely this week on the Nationalists' ability to hold two Communist threatened cities.

One of them is Chinsien, Red-encircled Nationalist base 105 miles inside Manchuria. The other is Taiyuan, capital of Shansi, 250 miles south-west of Peiping.

Latest reports suggest Chinsien (Chinchow) has a better chance of holding out than Taiyuan.

The Nationalists still are able to land reinforcements at Port Tientsin, 30 miles to the south of the city, and that city might possibly be broken. Taiyuan, however, is in a different position. Reinforcements can only be sent by air and then only to one airfield which might at any moment be rendered unserviceable.

The fall of Taiyuan would be a greater blow than the loss of Tientsin. Shantung capital which shook and damaged all Nationalist China.

It would be an essential step towards the conquest of Tientsin and Peiping, where fall would mean the loss of North China and Manchuria. Taiyuan today is the most important Nationalist-held industrial and financial city in China north of the Yangtze.

Coveted Corridor

If the Reds get it they have gone far toward establishment of the coveted corridor between Manchuria and Central China. They then would have rail communications to Shihchiang-jung junction on the Peiping-Hankow railway in Southern Hopei and to their south to Peiping, capital of Hopei and 90 miles southwest of Peiping, and key to Tientsin and Peiping.

In the past week the North China forces under General Fu Tse-yi have suffered fresh

blows, notably the disruption of his rail communications between Peiping and Kaifan. Of all the Nationalist rail network in Hopei, the only sections running with any degree of security are those between Peiping-Tientsin and Tientsin-Tangshan, 60 miles northeast of Tientsin.

General Fu, as his supporters and advisers admit, can now do best fight a defensive war against the Reds. They are waging a war not only on the battlefield, but in just as vital a spot—the economic sphere. All accounts agree that clandestine trade between the Nationalist and Red areas greatly figures there.

Independent and quite credible reports say their recent drive in the Inner Mongolian province of Suiyuan was motivated more by economic than military reasons. The Reds, these reports state, invaded the Nationalist areas with a plentiful supply of good silver dollars and bought everything they could from the farmers before withdrawing. They have also done and still are doing everything possible to undermine the new currency and people's confidence in Nationalist China alone.

Some quarters in Peiping go so far as to say the loss of Chinsien or Taiyuan or both would not be limited in its importance to Nationalist China alone, but would represent victory to the cause of world Communism as a whole. Associated Press.

Small Coins To Be Minted

Shanghai, October 16. Shortage of small change in the wake of the introduction of China's new currency is expected to be eased this month. The Central mint, after a long shutdown, has been reactivated to start turning out new small coins.

About 200 workers have gone on a 10-hour shift daily and are expected to turn out about 500,000 coins a day. Coins are in one-cent, five-cent, ten-cent, 20-cent and 50-cent denominations. Associated Press.

Wang Says 1949 Decisive Year

Frankfurt, October 14. The world can count on another year before war becomes an immediate threat, the Chinese Foreign Minister, Dr. Wang Shih-chieh, said here today.

Dr. Wang who is here to exchange observations, predicted that 1949 would be a year of decision as far as war was concerned.

The Chinese official had just arrived from a quick trip from Paris and met the press in the ornate Victory guest house where the American Army boards its most distinguished visitors.

He told newsmen: "I do not believe there will be immediate war. The year 1949 will probably be a decisive year for peace or war. We have still one or two years' work for the salvation of peace."

See Airlift

The little gray-haired Foreign Minister said one purpose of his visit was inspection of the American airlift to Berlin. After surveying facilities of the Rhine-Main airfield, he said he was surprised by its size.

"The air supply service to Berlin is more adequate than I anticipated," he said. "I had some anxiety as to its adequacy."

Comparing it to the India-China wartime "Hump", Dr. Wang said, "The difficulties over the Himalayas probably were greater than those you are meeting today. But the service at the Himalayas could not compare with the planes at the disposal of the American Command here." United Press.

Missionaries Safe In Tsinan

Tsingtao, October 15. Eight American missionaries were reported safe and well in Communist-held Tsinan.

The eight were caught in the Shantung province capital when the Reds recently attacked and captured it.

The American Presbyterian Mission said a message reporting the safety of the missionaries was brought here by a Chinese friend.

They are Dr. and Mrs. H. P. Lair, Dr. Llewellyn Davies, Misses Helen McClain and Florence Evans, Mr. and Mrs. John Hamilton and Richard Bryant. All are Presbyterian missionaries, excepting Miss Evans, who is a Methodist. All of them were with Cheloo University.

The message said the Reds are not interfering with the school and that the autumn term in both the University and Middle (High) school has re-opened. Associated Press.

Chang Chun To Launch Good Neighbour Policy On Forthcoming Tour

Shanghai, October 14.

China's "good neighbour policy," aimed at bringing about closer co-operation among nation in the Eastern Hemisphere, is expected to get under way when former Premier Chang Chun sets out on his forthcoming visit of Southeast Asia countries.

The long overdue move, coming at a time when relations between China and her southern neighbours have become increasingly strained, is understood to be an attempt to:

(1) Improve relations between China and her cousins across the sea;

(2) Win the support—both moral and economic—of Overseas Chinese for the country's anti-Communist campaign.

Observers here believe that China now would like to lead Asia—not as a result of military conquest—but by virtue of her size and potential possibilities as the greatest nation in the Far East. But, they point out, she stands first as her own house in order and in actuality become the leading power of Asia.

China's relations with other Western Pacific powers will play a decisive role in her bid to take over the position in Asia which the Japanese so recently tried to attain by force of arms, it was believed.

As the American-owned "China Weekly Review" says, "It is only natural that the leading power of Asia should stand first as her own house in order and in actuality become the leading power of Asia."

"The Japanese felt that they were destined to lead Asia and undertook to do so. However, Japan's programme fell through when the natives of the other countries, including China, realised that the Japs talk of 'Asia for the Asiatics' and the 'Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere' were merely propaganda slogans mouthed by a bunch of narrow-minded little militarists whose real ambition was the creation of a gigantic slave empire."

Chinese In Siam

Turning to the deteriorating relations between China and Siam, the Review says, "In Siam, the Chinese have been pouring in for years in increasing numbers until now nearly one-third of the population of Siam is Chinese and no one knows the extent of Chinese influence through intermarriage."

"Because of their superiority in many fields, the Chinese have gradually assumed direction of Siam's commerce and what industry that exists. This, plus the fact that the Overseas Chinese retain close connections with China to the extent of attempting to bring in wives from China and of remitting profits back home and also of frequently returning to China at the close of successful and profitable lives in Siam has led to considerable ill feeling upon the part of the Siamese who view these 'Chinese-Siamese' as temporary profiteers who exploit Siam and the Siamese people and drain off the profit to China."

"Retaliation in the form of discriminatory acts or legislation frequently occurs," the Review states, adding that "the net result is a constant state of bickering which occasionally flares up into violence."

In Malaya, the situation was much the same, except that the Chinese minority was now "a majority, with the population

consisting of about 50 per cent Chinese and the rest Malays, Indians and Europeans."

In Indonesia

The Review goes on to say that a similar situation had developed in Indonesia, "the most recent results of which have been wholesale massacres of Chinese by Indonesian troops during the postwar fighting with the Dutch."

In Indochina, the situation was not so serious, it states, "mainly because the Chinese minority is still relatively small, while in the Philippines tension after tension between the Filipinos and the Overseas Chinese are reported in the press."

The Review points out that as in all problems there are two sides, but the "important fact is that this antagonism exists and that because of it, the natives of the various countries of Southeast Asia are generally pretty anti-Chinese."

Former Premier Chang Chun's mission to South East Asia is viewed by the Review with considerable scepticism, since "antagonism between Overseas Chinese and natives will continue as long as economic competition exists, and so long as this is the case the native states of Asia will view with extreme suspicion any attempt on the part of China to speak to the world for Asia." Reuter.

WIRING THOUGHT CAUSE OF FIRE

Manila, October 14. Faulty wiring was believed responsible for the destruction of the Philippine Education Company plant yesterday in Manila's costliest fire since the war.

Damage estimates were revised upward to \$3,000,000, including \$500,000 to the Singer Sewing Machine Company and US\$2,500,000 to the Philippine Education Company and US\$250,000 to McCullough Printing Company.

More than 400 employees were thrown out of work by the blaze. Offices of the Lawyers' Cooperative Publishing Company, Associated Publishers Inc., and Personal Services Advertising also were destroyed. The companies were fully covered by insurance. Associated Press.

Inventor Cries With Joy

Naples, October 14. Inventor G. Vassena's 12-foot "pocket submarine" which sank seven days ago in the Tyrrhenian Sea a few hundred yards off Capri Island, was floated today by two Italian Navy tugs after several tries.

Vassena who tried to commit suicide when his gadget disappeared under a heavy sea, witnessed the difficult rescue work from one of the tugs and cried with joy.

The submarine was only slightly damaged. "It will be ready for another immersion test within 15 days," Vassena announced. United Press.

Seven Years For London Grocer With Explosives

London, October 14. Monte Harris, 23-year-old London grocer, was sentenced today for possessing explosives with intent to use them for illegal purposes in the United Kingdom.

The police identified Harris as a member of a Hebrew legion which openly declared support for Irgun Zvai Leumi.

Harris was alleged to have helped in collecting a large quantity of explosives, which were stored in a London warehouse. The cache was discovered by the police last August.

The defence counsel said that "there was no danger of death to individuals in this country even contemplated by Harris or anyone else." These explosives, he said, were being used to damage vehicles which were being shipped to Iraq.

Harris felt that such an action would "save the lives of his fellow men in the state of Israel." Counsel said.—United Press.

RAILWAYS WANT FREIGHT RATES UP

Washington, October 14. United States railways will ask the Interstate Commerce Commission for an additional five per cent increase in freight rates. This will bring the total amount of freight rate relief sought to 12 per cent since the Commission has pending before it an application for freight rate boosts which are 6 per cent more than the present level.

This is understood to be accompanied by certain qualifications. A major factor in the requested rate adjustment is the \$55,000,000 annual wage rise which railroads last week agreed to pay their 1,750,000 operating workers. If the entire 1,400,000 rail workers accept a similar increase the full wage settlement would amount to approximately five per cent more if the ICC permits the amount to be reflected in freight rates.—Reuter.

Liberals To Fight Next UK Election

London, October 14.

Britain's once-powerful Liberal Party, which now has only 12 Members of Parliament out of the total of 640, today announced spirited plans for fighting the 1950 general election.

At its Conference here, the party, whose decline since the great days of the Premier'ships of Lloyd George and Asquith has saddened even some of its political opponents, launched an appeal for £100,000 to finance an attempted come-back.

The party announced that it will put 300 candidates into the field for the next general election. Mr. Clement Davies, the party's leader in the House of Commons, said today that the party refuses to lie down and die. He spoke at a press conference when it was announced that the party was immediately launching its appeal.

Viscountess Mountbatten, the Liberal leader in the House of Lords, said: "We do not regard ourselves as an old party striving to recapture past glories of the estate age of Liberalism but as a new party dominated by young men and women which is fighting to establish itself as an agent of progressive politics in the future, not only for the sake of this country but to help to give a lead to Europe and the world."

The Liberal Party today issued a 31-page "Programme for Britain" exposition of the platform adopted at its annual Congress this year. The pamphlet said that both the Conservative and the Labour parties represent privilege and class interest while the Liberal Party equally fights both.

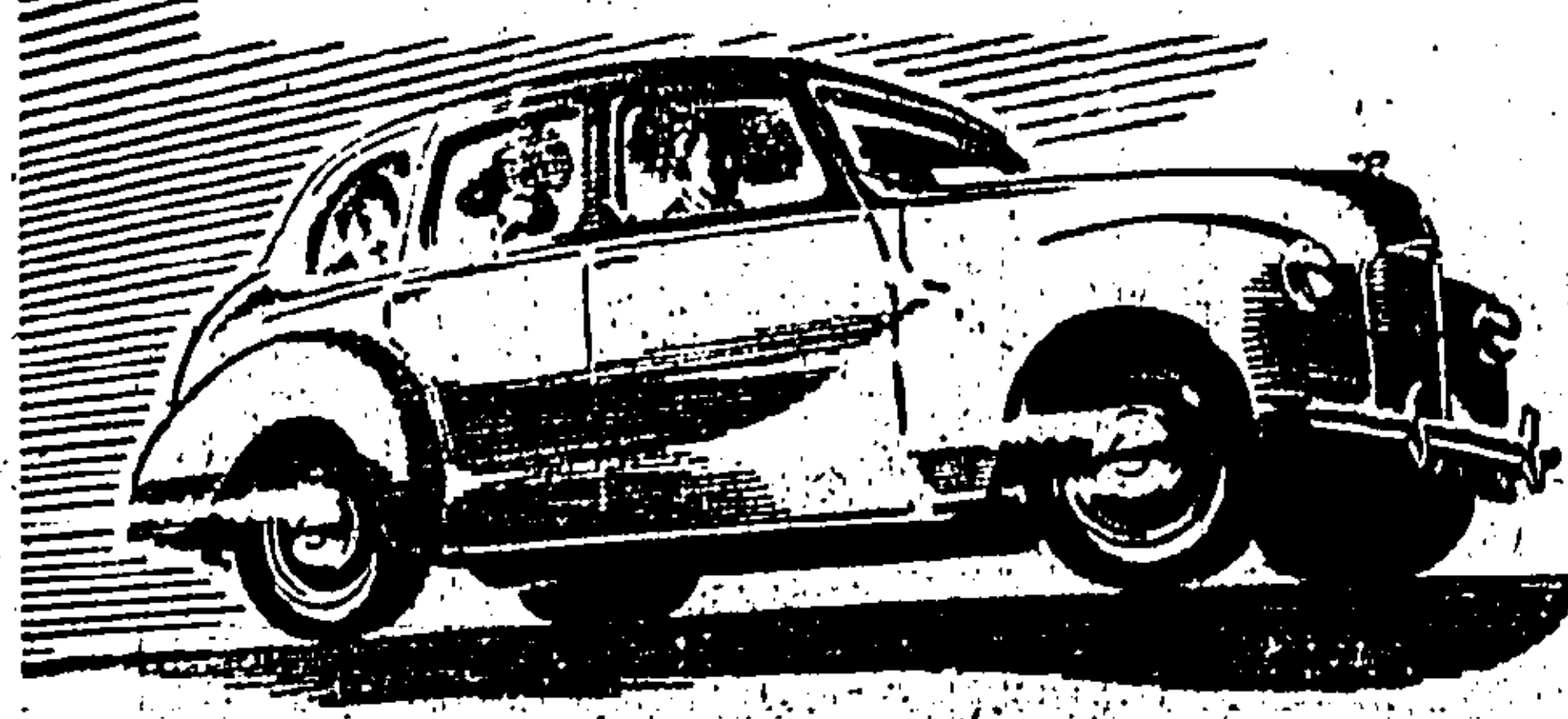
Blackmarket Suspects Taken

Shanghai, October 15. The Economic Police yesterday arrested eight suspects—three Austrian refugees and five Chinese—in their fresh campaign against foreign currency and gold blackmarket dealings.

All the eight were rounded up in a popular downtown area after United States notes were found on their person in a search.

In other raids during the day the police arrested and detained ten persons for carrying out blackmarket transactions in shares and cigarettes. The North China Daily News this morning said that a new set of drastic regulations aimed at stamping out blackmarket activities in Shanghai once laid for all is said to be awaiting the approval of the Prime Minister. The regulations are believed to provide severe penalties for blackmarket dealers who contribute activities in defiance of economic rulings.—Reuter.

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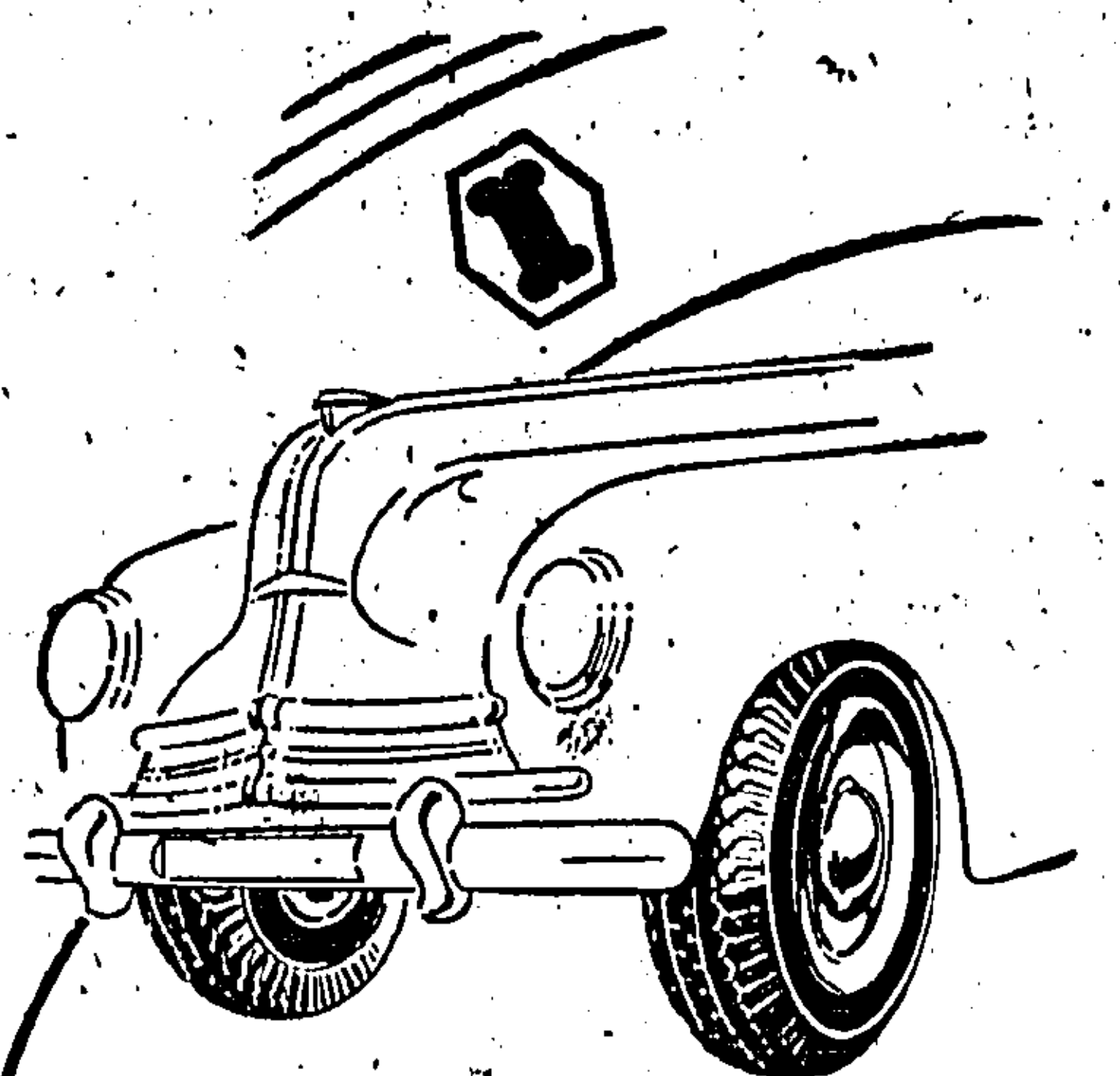
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COMMUNIST PLOTS ARE KOREA'S BIG PROBLEM

Seoul, October 14.

The greatest problem confronting the new South Korean republic is a series of "Russian inspired" Communist plots while the new state's greatest need is obviously national unification, declared Dr. Syngman Rhee, President of South Korea.

There can be no question, the President said, but that these plots will be continued as long as the Soviet regime prevails in the north for the Korean Communists are determined to extend their "Red dictatorship" to all South Korean provinces.

Franc Rate Expected To Change

London, October 14.

Well informed quarters here indicated tonight that some change in the French franc rate is to occur next Sunday, October 17.

Formal official confirmation is naturally impossible, but well informed quarters had no doubt about it. There was no information as to whether the currency change would be linked with more far-reaching reforms, designed to restore confidence in the French currency.

Higher exchange quotations for the French franc in terms of sterling, Belgian francs, Italian lire and other convertible currencies were expected, equally well informed Paris financial circles tonight to be fixed during the weekend.

According to usually reliable sources, the new rates for sterling and other non-convertible currencies would correspond to the average between the existing official rate (214.32 francs) and the free market rate (around 313 francs) of the dollar.

This would raise the sterling rate from the present 804 francs to 1,069 francs.

The expected currency adjustment was described in stock exchange circles as a unification of exchange rates and not as a devaluation. The object of the operation would be to enable French exporters to sell as cheaply as countries with non-convertible currencies, including the sterling area, as they do to the United States, Switzerland and Portugal.

Under the present system inaugurated last January, an exporter selling for dollars gets more francs than when he sells the same quantity of his goods to the sterling area, for example.

Since the January devaluation, French exports to non-convertible currency countries have again become too expensive, France, it is reliably learned, is very hard up for sterling, Belgian francs and lire.—Reuter.

Korea's greatest need, Dr. Rhee said, obviously is national unification—restoration of the old national boundaries with North and South Korea administered as a unit under the Seoul government.

The President had no idea how soon this unification could be achieved, but he is absolutely confident that it will be brought about in due course. It may well be a part of the elimination of the Communist movement throughout Asia and the expulsion of the Chinese Communists from adjacent Manchuria.

A keen student of history, Dr. Rhee is well aware of the close relationship between the Chinese and Korean Communist movements which he considers to be under close direction from Moscow, and the relationship of these movements to the series of Communist outbreaks in Malaya, Indonesia and Burma.

Loans On Us

The President of the new republic said frankly that his government leans heavily upon the United States in matters of economic and national defence.

Commenting on the police action against the Korean Press News Agency, which distributes the world news service of the United Press and the Chinese Central News Agency in Korea, and against a number of Seoul newspapers, Dr. Rhee said that he was not opposed to fair criticism of his government in the editorial columns of the press but that he insists upon complete accuracy and impartiality in news reports.

The constitution of the republic guarantees freedom of the press, he added, and he will uphold these principles. However he emphasized the constitution also prohibits agitation de-

signed to overthrow the government and that the government will consider the dissemination of Communist propaganda as a threat against its existence.

Dr. Rhee, who has long experience in Washington and who is acquainted with many American newspapermen, is fully aware of the danger of any programme of suppression of the freedom of the press.

It is to be hoped, he said, that the Korean press generally will try sympathetically to appreciate the problems of the government and that editors will appreciate the fact that the very existence of the nation is threatened by a series of Communist plots inspired from the Soviet North.

Subversive Acts

This, he added, the government must consider the dissemination of Communist propaganda broadcast by Pyongyang Radio as falling within the category of subversive activities threatening the existence of the state.

When it was remarked that American newspapers reported freely attacks upon the United States government made by Moscow Radio, the President replied that he has no objection to South Korean newspapers printing news accounts explaining the Pyongyang Radio—for obvious reasons—is broadcasting attacks upon the Seoul regime. These accounts, however, in fairness should emphasise the propaganda nature of the Pyongyang attacks.

Turning to the subject of his visit to Tokyo, Dr. Rhee said that all democratic Koreans were greatly heartened by General Douglas MacArthur's statement when he visited Seoul that the eventual reunification of all Korea is certain.

Koreans, Dr. Rhee said, look upon General MacArthur as one who had a broad and sympathetic understanding of Asiatic problems and who is a foremost champion of the rights of the common man.—United Press.

Missing Jewels On Elizabeth?

Southampton, October 14.

Detectives boarded the liner Queen Elizabeth when it docked at Southampton today to make inquiries into the disappearance of jewellery worth £2,000 belonging to Lady Dudley-Cunliffe Owen.

Half an hour after the ship had sailed from Southampton on its outward journey on October 13, Lady Cunliffe Owen found her jewel box to be no longer in the case where it had been packed before she left her Ascot home. The police are seeking information about the movement of her baggage during the road journey from Ascot and after it had gone on board.

A diamond and aquamarine bracelet valued at £1,000 is among the missing jewels. In addition, there are a set of diamond and aquamarine earrings valued at £75, a gold brooch valued at £300 and gold necklaces, pendants and rings.

Lady Cunliffe Owen is the wife of the present baronet and daughter-in-law of the late Sir Sir Hugo Cunliffe Owen. She and her husband are still in the United States.—Reuter.

NARCOTICS FOR SWING FANS

Chicago, October 14.

Five men, arrested during the week-end on drug peddling charges, specialised in selling marijuana to swing fans, according to Robert Artis, the Federal Narcotics Bureau district chief.—Reuter.

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Martial Law In Fatsan

Canton, October 15.

Martial law has been proclaimed in Fatsan, a thriving town some 40 miles from Canton, according to the Chinese press.

Martial law operates at night only and has been imposed because of the spate of kidnapping and robbery in the town.—Reuter.

World Sugar Crops Rise

Washington, October 16.

World sugar production in the 1948-49 crop year is expected to reach 35.5 million tons, surpassing prewar averages, the U.S. Agriculture Department reported last night.

Much of the increase, the Department added, "will be caused by recovery in areas damaged during the war."

Important producing countries in the Far East such as Formosa, Java and the Philippines, are expected to continue recovery from the war at an accelerated pace.

Their exports are estimated at about 1,000,000 tons—double last year's but still below the pre-war average of 3.5 million tons a year.

The Department said Formosa's production is expected to be about 40 per cent of the pre-war average of 1,202,000 tons compared with 287,000 tons last year.

Philippine production is expected to reach two-thirds of the pre-war average of 1,127,000, compared with 500,000 tons last year. Java production is expected to increase, although it has been retarded by unsettled political conditions.

The Department added that production in Oceania is expected to reach the pre-war level of 2,002,000 tons, compared with 1,679,000 last year. Australia will show the biggest increase—about 30 per cent over last year's 874,000 tons.

Sugar production in India and Pakistan, where low grade brown sugar is produced, also is increasing, the Department said. "It is expected to top last year's all-time record of 6.8 million tons.—Associated Press.

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Reuter.

NO COMPROMISE FROM THE WEST

New York, October 14.

The Western Powers will tell the Security Council no compromise with Russia is possible and direct negotiations out of the question until the Berlin "blockade" is lifted, Walter Kerr, Paris Correspondent of the New York Herald-Tribune reported today.

Only a Soviet change of heart will break the East-West stale he added.—Reuter.

Symbolism Of Berlin All-Important To Reds

Berlin, October 14.

A former American Military Government official said in a formal report on the Berlin situation that it is possible to estimate the Russians would fight rather than compromise their intention to push Soviet Communism into Western Europe.

The report released by the United States Military Government here, was prepared by Louis Glaser, chief of the American Political Branch for the Berlin Military Government until his return to the United States recently.

Tokyo Rose Applies For Bail

San Francisco, October 14.

Mrs Iva Toguri d'Aquino, American born "Tokyo Rose" of Japanese wartime broadcasts, today asked for release from the county jail on bail while she awaits her trial for treason.

Government attorneys insisted that the United States law prohibits the bailing out of an accused traitor but the Counsel for "Tokyo Rose" dipped into history to prove that the attractive Jap-American woman should be freed until her trial begins late this year.

The Defence lawyer, Wayne Collins, cited the cases of President Jefferson Davis of the Confederacy, who was admitted to bail after treason charges in 1867, and of a man named Hamilton, bailed in 1793 after taking part in the Whiskey Rebellion.

He disclosed that Major Wallace Ince, who helped to prepare the scripts for Mrs d'Aquino when she was one of the six women who broadcast as "Tokyo Rose" over Japanese radio would be one of the principal witnesses against her.

Ince, now at Fort Benning, Georgia, has been cleared by the Army. He convinced the American authorities that he broadcast overhead military information and weather reports for the benefit of the Allied intelligence. Ince is expected to arrive here within a few days under direct assignment to Thomas DeWolfe, special prosecutor for the United States Attorney General.

Collins indicated that he is expected to base part of Mrs d'Aquino's defence on the grounds that she is now a Portuguese citizen and not under American jurisdiction.—United Press.

Mr. Glaser had almost daily contact with the Russian occupation forces for more than three years. His report dealt solely with the critical Berlin situation.

He warned that it was perhaps erroneous to assume that Russia does not desire open conflict in Berlin. He said it was evident the symbolism of Berlin was all-important to the Russians and if they were threatened they may resort to any means to consolidate their grip.

Mr. Glaser reported that the Russians unquestionably would "prefer the kind of political victory they obtained in Czechoslovakia, but it is possible to estimate they will fight rather than compromise their intention to push Soviet Communism into Western Europe."

"Dominate Berlin"

The former official, who prepared the report before returning to the United States, stressed the importance of Berlin in Soviet thinking. He said before Communism could expand into Western Europe, Russia must "dominate Berlin and strip from the city democratic political forces which may only operate under the safeguard of the Western Allies."

The report described as unilateral Russian action in introducing the Soviet Eastern mark into the four-power city of Berlin as a strong effort to control the economy of the city. Mr. Glaser said flatly that Russia has the armed forces with which it may physically take the city when it wishes to do so.

The report also noted that reports of plans for physical seizure of Berlin by the Soviet authorities under the guise of a popular uprising of the people had become more intensive and detailed.—United Press.

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FAR EAST TO HAVE LARGER SHARE OF US FOREIGN AID

Washington, October 14.

A United Press survey disclosed today that regardless of the outcome of the November elections the next US Congress faces the prospect of acting on a record breaking foreign aid programme of over \$8,000,000,000 with the emphasis going on military assistance and the Far East to get a larger share of both economic and military help.

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Macao Electric 24 1/2
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Tientsin 30 1/2
Shanghai Gas 6 1/2
INDUSTRIAL:
Cald. Mact. (Ord.) 27 1/2
Canton Ind. 7 1/2
Cement 30 1/2
H.K. Paper 19 1/2
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Wing On (H.K.) 8 1/2
Wm. Powell, Ltd. 11 1/2
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H.K. Construction (Ord.) 6 1/2
" (New) 6 1/2
Vibro (Ord.) 11 1/2
" (New) 10 1/2
Maraman Investments 12 1/2
Maraman (H.K.) 1 1/2
Shanghai Loan 4 1/2
COTTONS:
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RUBBERS, ETC., COMPANIES:
Anglo-Java 6 1/2
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The estimate, compiled from official sources, compares with about \$7,000,000,000 authorised by the 80th Congress for economic and military spending abroad through June 30, 1949. The recipients are China, Japan, Korea, Western Europe, Trieste, Austria, Greece and Turkey.

Help to be proposed for non-Communist nations next year will reflect the present tense East-West conflict throughout the world and increasing concern over the Far East situation will prompt greater aid for that area.

The biggest single amount will be over \$4,000,000,000 for the second year of the European recovery programme. Then there are expected to be requests totalling \$1,500,000,000 or more for rearmament of Western Europe on the United States first line of defence.

There will be more aid for China, Japan and Korea because of Communist threats in Asia.

No Change
Budget bureau officials said the outcome of next month's elections will not change the foreign aid plan now being developed. By law President Truman is required to submit new budget requests soon after Congress meets on January 3. Should Governor Thomas E. Dewey be elected, he would not take over until January 20.

However, foreign aid requests presumably would not be altered materially in the event of a Dewey victory because of the bipartisan foreign policy. The \$4,000,000,000 for European recovery programme compares with \$5,055,000,000 appropriated by the last Congress. New requests might go over \$4,500,000,000 if the Economic Co-operation Administration takes over the present army aid programmes in occupied areas.

Approximately \$450,000,000 would be asked for economic aid and at least \$250,000,000 more for military help to the hard-pressed Chinese Nationalist government. The present economic and military programmes for China total only \$400,000,000.

The army tentatively plans asking for around \$1,000,000,000

to prevent disease and unrest in Western Germany, Japan and the Ryukyu Islands chain. About \$1,300,000,000 had been appropriated for the same areas this year including Korea which will need about \$900,000,000 for economic rehabilitation next year from ECA.

The present administration plans to call for trebling of the \$75,000,000 granted to Japan this year for reconstruction purposes. The higher total would aim at getting Japan on its feet in the absence of a Japanese peace treaty.

Greece and Turkey, now receiving \$225,000,000, an amount to need another \$175,000,000 or more next year.

Officials emphasised that the final foreign aid programme depends on world crops, speed of reconstruction in recipient nations and the East-West conflict.

Money Market
Gold dropped further to HK\$304.75 a troy ounce yesterday but at the close recovered to \$307.37 1/2. The market opened at \$307.50, and it went up to \$310.50 in the morning. The drop started just before the 11th interval.

U.S. dollars were quoted at HK\$5.31 1/2 in the morning and a cent lower in the afternoon. The market opened at HK\$5.10 and closed at \$10.70 a 100. Ticals were unchanged at HK\$26.10 a 100. NEI Guilders were quoted at HK\$30.50 a 100 in the morning and 10 cents lower in the afternoon.

Sterling was lower at HK\$13.60, but Australian pounds were unchanged at HK\$12.63.

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London Stock Exchange

London, October 14.

Iron and steel were in demand today. Buying, prompted by hopes of good compensation payments in the event of any nationalisation, resulted in several sharp advances.

Other industrial groups to move higher included tobacco and textiles. Miscellaneous leaders were generally on the up-grade. Small selling of British funds continued today.

Interest appears to be switched from this section to Industrials. Prices showed declines of 1/16.

There was a small turn-over in Treasuries. Speculative buying was based on the hope of high compensation payment on nationalisation by the Treasury Government.

South African mining issues were generally firm. Free Staters moved higher on good support but the Pioneer group led around on disappointment with the recent development news.

The closing stages, however, brought in fresh buying which erased losses and the session closed on a very firm note.

SECURITIES:
British Consols, 2 1/2% 78 3/4
Conversion Loan, 3 1/2% 100 1/2-101 1/2
Funding Loan, 4 1/2% 100 1/2-101 1/2
War Loan, 3 1/2% 100 1/2-101 1/2
Victory Bonds, 4 1/2% 100 1/2-101 1/2

RAILWAY SHARES:
British Transport, 2 1/2% 100 1/2-101 1/2

INDUSTRIALS:
British American Tobacco (of G.I. & Ireland) 40 1/2-41 1/2
Imperial Chemical (of G.I. & Ireland) 37 1/2-38 1/2

MINE SHARES:
Barnes Corp. 5 1/2-5 3/4
Crown Mines 3 1/2-3 3/4
Nandynor Mines 1 1/2-1 3/4
Rand Mines 6 1/2-6 3/4
Spring Mines 8 1/2-8 3/4
Sub Nigel 3 1/2-3 3/4
Tayor Tin Co. 2 1/2-2 3/4
Union Corporation 20 1/2-21 1/2

SHIPPING:
H. & O. Steam Nav. Co. ord. 6 1/4-6 1/2
GILDEDGE:
Funding Loan, 3 1/2% 100 1/2-101 1/2
National War Bonds, 2 1/2% 100 1/2-101 1/2

FOREIGN BONDS:
Exchequer Bonds, 1 1/2% 100 1/2-101 1/2
Tendinitus Stock, 3 1/2% 100 1/2-101 1/2
German Loan (Dawes), 7 1/2% 7 1/2
Japanese 5 1/2% 1907/47 27 1/2
Japanese 6 1/2% 1924/40 27 1/2
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BANKS:
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CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS:
Tientsin-Pukow Railway, 5 1/2% 10 1/2
Lung-Tung Railway, 5 1/2% 10 1/2
Honor. Loan, 5 1/2% 10 1/2
Crisp Loan, 5 1/2% 10 1/2
Hukwang Railway, 5 1/2% 10 1/2
Honor. Railway, 5 1/2% 10 1/2
Shanghai Banking Ry., 5 1/2% 11 1/2
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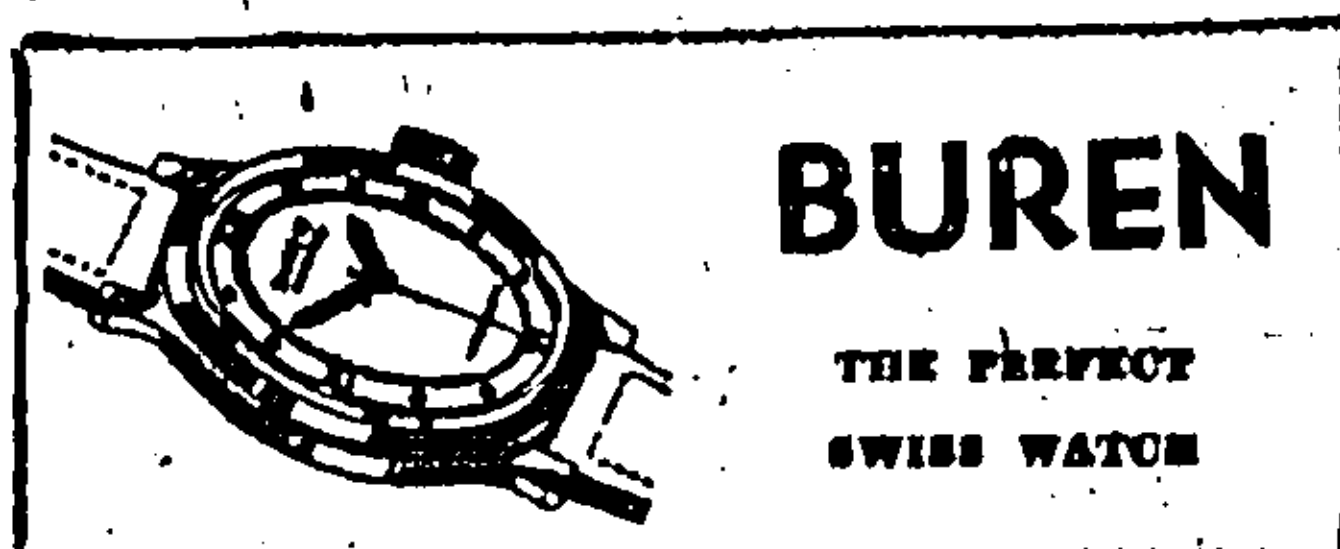
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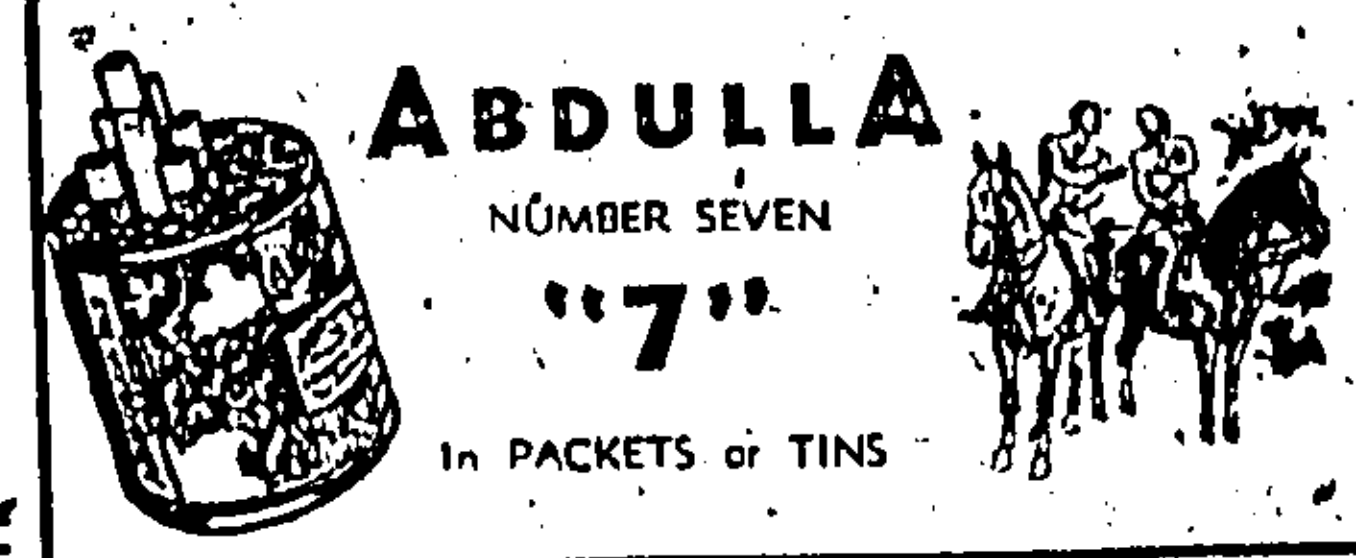
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MANILA TAKES LEAD IN SWIMMING MEET

By KIMBERLEY

The end of the first day interport swim between Manila and Hong Kong placed the visitors in a lead of six points over us. By mutual agreement, the score is being kept under two columns—one for the men's events and the other for the women's.

Dog Show Opened In London

London, October 14. Mrs. Charles Cruft, the widow of the man who, 60 years ago, started the best known dog show in the world, was at Olympia today when Cruft's reopened for the first time since 1939.

The Kennel club, who are responsible for the festival, had 1,275 dogs at the show, which is expected to provide Britain's dog breeders with an excellent show-window for the dog export trade.

A large number of American buyers were present and there were many parties from the Dominions and the Continent.

Owners began arriving early in the morning with their dogs. By 7.30 a.m. there was a queue 50 yards long of dogs—standing dogs, dogs standing at their leashes, large dogs on chains, small dogs in boxes, dogs wearing raincoats, overcoats, waterproof boots all waiting for the doors to open.

The most popular breeds for export showed the cocker spaniel in the lead with 144, poodles 79, and Pekinese 62, came next—Reuter.

FEC Discuss Jap Industry

Washington, October 15. A long session of the Far East Commission Thursday continued its study of proposed international control of Japanese industry.

No action was taken and none was in sight. The session lasted for several hours. Members said they also discussed General MacArthur's labour strike policy without taking action. The Soviet Union proposed international control several weeks ago.

Work of the commission since has been principally to gather information relative to the subject. Russia also demanded that the commission reverse MacArthur's ban on strikes by government employees.

This has also been the subject of discussion to develop details for and against such a policy. Associated Press.

STARTING TIMES

Starting Time (Old Course) of the Hong Kong Golf Club tomorrow follows:—
9.40 A. Todd—Mal. J. Weston.
9.50 P. E. Hutton—H. J. D. Lowe.
10.04 J. Linaker—W. S. Hay.
10.08 H. H. Mundy—A. D. Humphreys.

Many Baseballers Fail This Season

New York, October 14.

Although baseball enjoyed one of the most successful seasons in history during 1948, disappointments came to many diamond personalities.

Clark Griffith, wily owner of Washington Senators, insisted last winter that outfielder Gil Coan after two discouraging seasons finally would shine in 1948. Coan batted .234 which certainly cannot be classed as outstanding in any league.

But the feet-footed Washington outfielder was not half the disappointment teammate Mickey Vernon was when the skinny first baseman, who led the American League in hitting during 1940, finished the past season with an anemic .244 percentage.

Pete Reiser of Brooklyn whose batting average dipped to .236, the lowest of his career, was a major disappointment to Dodgers, as was veteran Hugh Casey who contributed little to Brooklyn's pitching staff.

Giant's Failure

Bobby Thomson, once thought of by New York Giants as a "second Joe DiMaggio" and with a batting average of .248 last spring, Connie Mack of Philadelphia Athletics labelled

And although Hong Kong was swamped by the Filipinos in the men's contests, our ladies proved themselves superior to their girls to cap in turn every victory in the women's event, patching up the wide deficiency suffered under the other column.

Scores at the end of yesterday's meet read: Men's: Manila, 22 to Hong Kong's 5. Women's: Manila, 3 to Hong Kong's 18.

Only in one event could swimmers as they fought desperately to reach the pole—only five yards in front!

Villaneuva with his longer reach stretched out, stopping the watches at 11 minutes and three seconds with our Chan, in fact, less than 1/5 of a second behind. We lost the race, but Chan won a great victory by his spirited challenge to a greater swimmer.

The 220 yards free style for men was a typical example of the Filipinos' excellent judgment of distance.

Lau Tai-ping snatched an early lead and for 50 yards kept ahead of Alcantara and Mala of Manila. Turning at 50, Alcantara forged ahead, with team mate Mala following him closely.

After the 100 mark both Chan and Villaneuva drew ahead keeping stubbornly neck to neck with the interval. Mala by this time had passed Wong and was lying at third place, three yards behind.

For the next 100 yards both Chan and Villaneuva remained in the lead, neither willing to give ground at the same time drawing slowly and gradually from the field.

Thrilling Race

Turning at 250, Villaneuva forged half a body length ahead, Chan was seen to chase but decided to let him go. Mala was by this time dropping yard by yard behind.

With each length the Manila man gained distance, with arms and legs in perfect synchronisation and the pace seemingly forever increasing.

From the 250-yard mark the grueling pace. Chan dropped three yards behind during this interval. Mala by this time was three yards and dropped further behind Chan but enough ahead of young Wong to ensure him third place.

Turning from the 750-yard mark, the great Chan showed his maximum which had the whole crowd in a din as his powerful arms and legs drove him forward closer and closer to Villaneuva who had by then done his utmost.

At the 800-yard mark, Chan turned three yards behind, his opponent having made up half the arrears in the last two lengths.

With still 80 yards to go, he turned and went all out, but Villaneuva was far from finished, for he kept intently at his pace. The bell then rang for the last 30 yards to home. Villaneuva was now only hardly a body length ahead of Chan and at the last turn the two emerged together with the spectators drowning out the splashes of the two

Misjudged

Racing down the last 20-yard stretch with victory assured, Alcantara misjudged the end pole and stopped dead two yards before it turning round, thinking that the race was over. It was a matter of two seconds before the excitement of the crowd warned him but by then his friend Mala had passed him to touch the pole before he could reach out again for it. At that event, he placed second—almost two seconds behind the victor.

Because of Salamat's 66 and 66.4 seconds gained their first and second place in the 100 yards back stroke.

Hong Kong's A. V. Lopes, set the pace with his strong strokes while the Filipinos kept contentedly behind but near enough to see what was going on. Reaching the 50 yards, Lopes forged ahead with his quicker, more snappy turn.

Lopes was by now feeling the effect of his early over-anxiousness, and at the last lap Salamat was also ahead of him.

The 25 yards home was all the way, Manila's and they finished close together with Lopes third in 69.6.

Luckin Rose had the 150 yards back stroke and 100 yards breast stroke without a single challenge from either her team mates or her opponents.

Manie Leong in the 220 was during the early stages worried by Joan Wong but won easily in the end while Joan allowed Andrea Onada only third place.

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Ladies' League

In the Ladies League, the Canadians and the Wildcats will make their first appearance this week. Doc Molthen's United Felines under Thomson Watson's management have been strengthened by Alec Mendonza in the infield, and by the addition of pre-war mound artist Thekla Colloco to the already strong pitching staff.

Doc, too busy lately with the league organization, has not been able to devote much time to his team. It is understood that they are on the look-out for a first-rate coach—do I hear anybody volunteer?

The "Canuckettes" are "hard hitters" although somewhat erratic on the field. Unless they can produce some better defensive work, the Wildcats are down to take this old still. It's a ball game, and anything can happen. Mainstay of the Maple Leafs is slub artist Alice May, ranked among

Manila Interporters



Top picture shows the Manila swimming interporters after their arrival at Kai Tak yesterday morning for a two-day competition with Hong Kong swimmers. Picture at left shows the Manila mermals. In last night's events, the Filipino swimmers displayed a marked superiority over the best the Colony had to offer. The Hong Kong girls, however, proved a bit too good for the Manila lasses. (Photos by Mr. M. A. de Souza).



Tough Assignment For Canadians

(By "GRANDSTAND")

The Canadians have a tough softball assignment this week. The Canadian men's team will take on Recreio in the Lusitanians' first appearance of the season, and the women will cross bats with Doc Molthen's Wildcats.

Both games will be played at the CBA Ground on Sunday afternoon. In the morning the American Clubbers will tangle with St. Joseph's, holders of the Molthen trophy.

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INTERESTING SOCCER GAMES THIS WEEK-END

The First Division soccer match between Army and South China "B" at Soekunpoo will be the chief drawing card in today's soccer programme, although the Chinese A.A. St. Joseph's meeting at Boundary Street will also be well worth watching.

Tomorrow, South China "A" will entertain Kowloon Motor Bus at Caroline Hill and an all out struggle is expected, as the busmen, tipped as favourites for the Championship, cannot afford to drop another point.

Army were not at all impressive last week, when they shared eight goals with Chinese A.A. Unless they tighten up their many weaknesses, both in defence and attack, which were so evident last week, the leads from Caroline Hill might give them a great surprise.

According to an Army player, the reason for the lassitude which characterised the play of the soldiers last Saturday was because they had been called upon to undergo "light training" on Friday evening. If this statement should be correct, then the practice of calling upon players to do "light training" should be abolished, as it is only fair to the players that they should be rested on the eve of an important match.

Chinese A.A. should have little difficulty in beating the Saints whose display against Kwong Wah last Sunday was far from satisfactory.

A very keen fight should be seen at Caroline Hill between Eastern and Kit Chue, with Eastern just making the grade.

Police should come out on top in encounter against Club, who have not been doing as well as expected.

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HK Tennis Championships

The first games in the Open Tennis Tournaments for the Colony Championships, organised by the Ladies Recreation Club, will be played on Monday.

The following is next week's programme:

OPEN SINGLES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18
Mrs. Collier v. Mrs. Strobach, 9.30 a.m.; Miss Dawn Kent v. Mrs. V. Slater, 9.30 a.m.; Miss Law How Yee v. Mrs. Gels, 2.15 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

Mrs. E. Litton v. Mrs. M. Chow, 9.15 a.m.

OPEN DOUBLES

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19
Miss Law How Yee and Miss R. Long v. Mrs. Collier and Mrs. M. Strobach, 9.30 a.m.; Mrs. Collier and Mrs. M. Strobach v. Mrs. Chiu and Mrs. Bradley, (All games start at 9.15 p.m.)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Mrs. H. Jones and Mrs. K. v. Mrs. Standish and Mrs. E. Litton; Mrs. Gels and Mrs. Strobach v. Mrs. Dawn Kent and Mrs. A. Shawan. (Both games start at 9.15 p.m.)

MIXED DOUBLES

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19
A.T. Dow and Mrs. H. Jones v. Mrs. Gels and Mrs. Strobach (9.15 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Mrs. E. Litton v. Mrs. M. Chow, 9.15 a.m.

MINISTER WARNS JOURNALISTS

Paris, October 14. The French Defence Minister, M. Paul Ramadier, warned French and foreign journalists here today that they should publish only officially authorised statements about the activities of Western Command Defence Ministers and Commanders, publication of any other news being liable to punishment by legal process.

"Imagination is the richest of news agencies," M. Ramadier told the journalists in a brief press conference. He complained of irresponsible statements cabled from capital to capital during the recent meeting of the Western Union Defence Ministers.

These had returned to Paris in such sensational form that they could not be ignored. He did not give any particular example—Roulet.

DOES NOT WANT WEST DEFENCE

Paris, October 14. Yugoslavia today protested against "unwarmed attempts" by the Western Powers to "defend" her from the Soviet Union.

Dr. Khrushchev, Yugoslav Foreign Minister, in a speech supporting Soviet disarmament proposals, told the Political Committee of the United Nations:

"The Federative Republic of Yugoslavia, as well as the other peoples' democracies, has never been, and could therefore never be, under control of the Soviet Union."—Reuter.

Week-End Games

The following is the week-end programme:

FIRST DIVISION

Army v. South China "B" (Soekunpoo, 5 p.m.). Referee: F.A. Barretto. Lineament: Pte. Collins/M. McKenzie. C.A.A. v. St. Joseph's (Boundary, 5 p.m.). Referee: A.P. Willie. Lineament: W. Ghazal/Richardson. Eastern v. Kitchee (Catharine Hill, 5 p.m.). Referee: J. Ward. Lineament: Chan So/A. Milleto. Club v. Police (Club, 5 p.m.). Referee: J. P. Fidler. Lineament: Mak Yung/Pai/Chung Moon Wing.

SECOND DIVISION

Hollister v. K.M.B. (Soekunpoo, 3.30 p.m.). Referee: J.F. da Silva. P.A.A. v. Kitchee (Catharine Hill, 3.30 p.m.). Referee: A. Farmer. Club v. Navy (Club, 3.30 p.m.). Referee: H. Milleto. Dockyard v. Army-IR (Navy, 3.30 p.m.). Referee: L. Laver. Army-IR v. St. Joseph's (Chatham Road, 3.30 p.m.). Referee: A. Breagan. Tramways v. University (Army "B", 3.30 p.m.). Referee: R.Y. Kwok. W.D. Chiu v. Eastern (Navy "B", 5 p.m.). Referee: Capt. Blane.

TOMORROW

FIRST DIVISION

Kwong Wah v. R.A.P. (Boundary, 5 p.m.). Referee: W. Gaffney. Lineament: E.W. Xavier/M. Delgado. South China "A" v. K.M.B. (Catharine Hill, 5 p.m.). Referee: C. Tunstall. Lineament: Pte. Collins/W. Crawford. Navy (by).

SECOND DIVISION

Talkoo v. South China (Catharine Hill, 3.30 p.m.). Referee: L.G. Young. Police (by).

LAWN BOWLS

The draw for the quarter-finals of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship of the Colony is as follows:

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

At K.B.C.C. at 5 p.m. C.S. Rossett v. J.S. Landolt. Referee: R. Phillips. K.M. Omar v. A.J. Coelho. Umpire: A.J. Hall.

At C.C.C.

L. Sykes v. S. Yusuf. Umpire: U.M. Omar. M.B. Hassan v. J.A. da Luz. Umpire: A.E. Coufés.

Inter-Scholastic Cage League Starts

The Hong Kong inter-scholastic basketball league, organised by the South China Athletic Association, gets under way on Monday at Caroline Hill.

Thirty-one teams from the leading schools in the Colony have entered, including La Salle College, the defending champions in the Senior Bop, and Chung Wah College, Junior League champions.

The hard-working S.C.A.A. basketball committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Shum Shui-ling, have decided to use the Olympic basketball elimination system in the two leagues this season, with the top three teams in each group to qualify for the final round.

Highly successful last year in their endeavor to improve the standard of play especially among the youth of the Colony, the South China A.A. basketball committee expect to make further strides in this direction during the coming championship season. Members of the South China A.A. basketball team which captured this year's Colony Open basketball title in overwhelming style will be available as coaches and instructors in the fundamentals of the game.

Plans for improvement of the basketball court at Caroline Hill are already in hand with glass back-boards, similar to those used in New York's Madison Square Gardens, to be erected in the near future.

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